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SCOTTISH RITE

He became a member of Boston Lafayette Lodge of Perfection 14°, October 5, 1945; Giles F. Yates Council Princes of Jerusalem 16°, December 12, 1947; Mt. Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix 18°, October 27, 1956; Massachusetts Consistory S.P.R.S. 32°, November 17, 1956.

SHRINE

He is a member of Aleppo Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S. of Boston, Massachusetts.

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Past President (1943) Automotive Booster Club of New England; B. I.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND COMMANDERY OF
KNIGHTS TEMPLARS
AND
THE APPENDANT ORDERS
OF
MASSACHUSETTS *and* RHODE ISLAND
for the YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1960



ELLIOTT NORRIS HOLLEY, *Grand Commander*

October 10, 1959 to October 1, 1960

GEORGE A. WEEKS, *Grand Recorder*

Boston, Massachusetts

1960

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REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE Grand Commandery Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

AT THE

154TH SEMI-ANNUAL CONCLAVE

PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND, MAY 7TH, 1960 (11 A. M.)

A constitutional number of Commanderies being represented the 154th Semi-Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island reconvened this seventh day of May, 1960, at the Masonic Temple, 55 High Street, Pawtucket, Rhode Island, for the transaction of such business as may regularly come before it. Sir Knight Elliott N. Holley, Right Eminent Grand Commander, presided. Divine Blessing was asked by Sir Kt. and Rev. Leonard S. Redlawn, Prelate.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

The Credential Committee reported there were 67 Sir Knights present representing 24 Commanderies.

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT

SIR KT. ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY.....*R. E. Grand Commander*
 SIR KT. RAYMOND D. DOUGLASS.....*E. Grand Generalissimo*
 SIR KT. WILLIAM F. WEST.....*E. Grand Captain General*
 SIR KT. LOUIS A. BEAUDOIN.....*E. Grand Senior Warden*
 SIR KT. GILBERT G. MACHON.....*E. Grand Junior Warden*
 SIR KT. GEORGE A. WEEKS.....*R. E. Grand Recorder*
 SIR KT. JOHN J. MICK.....*E. Grand Warder*
 SIR KT. GEORGE C. PATTON, JR.....*E. Division Commander*
 SIR KT. THOMAS C. BROWN.....*E. Inspector Instructor*

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS PRESENT

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS R. E. SIR KENNETH H. EARLE
 R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR. R. E. SIR DWIGHT C. PAGE

GRAND COMMANDER'S SEMI-ANNUAL ADDRESS, MAY 7, 1960

Sir Knights:

As your Grand Commander, I wish to extend to you a most cordial welcome to this Special Conclave to commemorate the founding of this Grand Commandery, organized May 6, 1805—155 years ago—and to hear the reports of

our several committees and to transact the business as stated in the call of this Special Conclave.

Templary was first brought to this country by the British troops (28th Regiment of Foot now the 1st Bn. of the Worcestershire Regiment) who were then stationed in Boston. Glittering Star Lodge No. 322, a traveling Masonic Army Lodge and Army Lodge No. 58, both under Charter of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, had received some degrees that the Lodges under English and Scottish Charters had not received.

The records show that on August 28, 1769, nearly a year after their arrival, a Royal Arch Lodge was formed. (This Lodge is now St. Andrews Royal Arch Chapter of Boston) and 10 Brothers were present, 6 soldiers and 4 members of the Lodge of Saint Andrew (under Scottish Charter). The records show that on that night the following Orders were conferred upon William Davis, a Past Master of Glittering Star Lodge No. 322 and an officer of the Regiment; viz.: Excellent, Super Excellent, Royal Arch and Knight Templar.

We next find that the Orders were conferred upon Paul Revere on December 11, 1769, and on May 14, 1770 upon General Joseph Warren (later upon Robert Newman, the man who hung the lantern in the Old North Church).

After the close of the Revolutionary War, the Orders began to be worked by regular and duly constituted Encampments. The Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island was organized May 6, 1805. The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America was organized June 22, 1816.

Thomas Smith Webb was born in Boston in 1771. He was made a Mason in Keene, New Hampshire, 1792, a Royal Arch Mason in Harmony Chapter, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1796. Soon after this he moved to Albany, New York, and was active in Masonic work. He came to Rhode Island in 1799 and became prominent in Lodge and Chapter. Just where and when he received his Templar degree is uncertain, but in 1802 he, with five other Sir Knights, formed St. John's Commandery in Providence and he became its first Commander; in 1815 he again moved to Boston.

He died very suddenly while making a visit in Cleveland, Ohio, July 6, 1819. His remains were brought back to Providence and at a later period a movement was started to erect a monument to his memory. In 1862 his remains were removed to a lot in the North Burying Ground, and a monument of white marble was erected thereon. On the west face appears the following:

"Founder of St. John's Encampment of Knights Templars Providence 1802; Commander until 1814; Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Mass. and R. I. from 1805 to 1817; Deputy Grand Master of the General Grand Encampment of the U. S. from 1816 until his death."

As we pass the halfway point in our Templar year and approach the vacation period, I wish to express my sincere thanks to all who have worked so diligently to promote Templary in our Grand Jurisdiction. To date we have received 678 petitions. It is my desire that all Petitioners shall be knighted before the Commanderies adjourn for the summer vacation.

There is much to be done if our Commanderies are to reach and maintain their deserved position of leadership in the ranks of Templary. There are thousands of eligible prospects waiting for invitations to become Knights Templar and followers of Christ. Therefore, the time has come when we must give more thought and attention to the advancement of Templary with good publicity. We hold our Exemplifications and York Rite Nites, but we need more publicity. We must put more emphasis on our Knight Templar Educational Foundation and the Eye Foundation. Both are doing excellent work. I believe that with good publicity and public relations, we can gain membership. Lists of prospective Candidates were mailed to you early last year. Did you make use of them—or are they resting on your desk—or have they been pigeonholed? Advertise Templary so that we can reach the grassroots of Masonry—the Blue Lodges. Appoint a Committee, with a Sir Knight in every Blue Lodge, Chapter and Council, to talk Templary. We have a great heritage. Let us make use of it. Remember, Templary is the New Testament of Masonry. Adopt the slogan "A REVITALIZED AND GREATER TEMPLARY" and start a Crusade for members. The battle cry is: "ONWARD, CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS."

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS: I move you, Sir, that the Semi-Annual address of our Right Eminent Grand Commander be accepted and printed in the Proceedings (voted unanimously).

Sir Knights, ATTENTION:

IN MEMORIAM

I regret to announce the passing of Sir Knight Hurlbut Lecount Plummer, Eminent Commander of Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 20—1935-1936. Being a C.P.A., Eminent Plummer was appointed Auditor of the Grand Commandery on August 14, 1946, which position, he held until his death. He died January 27, 1960.

Sir Knight Leon Lincoln Allen, Eminent Commander of De Molay Commandery No. 7—1924-1925; served as Eminent Grand Warder 1928-1929; was appointed Chairman of the Finance Committee of Grand Commandery in 1947, a position he held and served admirably until his death. He died February 4, 1960.

Sir Knight Adelbert Eugene Place, Knighted June 9, 1914; Eminent Commander of Calvary Commandery No. 13—1923-1924; Right Eminent Grand Commander, 1937-1938. He died April 29, 1960.

And to Sir Knight Thomas Smith Webb, the Founder of Organized Templary in America, who died July 6, 1819—

"Our Eminent Sirs, silently sheathed their swords for the last time and went to dwell in the realms of Light-and-Life Eternal."

Sir Knights, BE SEATED.

GRAND COMMANDER: Owing to the death of our Auditor, Sir Knight Hurlbut L. Plummer, I am this day appointing Sir Knight Gardner B. Wardwell, C.P.A., to complete the unfinished audit of the Educational Foundation of this Grand Commandery. I also appoint Sir Knight Edward Norris to serve on the Finance Committee of this Grand Commandery due to the death of Sir Knight Leon L. Allen.

REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

May 3, 1960

GEORGE A. WEEKS, *Grand Recorder*
The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Inc.
205 Masonic Temple
51 Boylston Street
Boston 16, Massachusetts

Eminent and Dear Sir:

The following amendments to By-Laws of Constituent Commanderies have been approved by the Grand Commander during its recess and are now subject to review by the Grand Commandery:

1. Proposed amendment to By-Laws of St. John's Commandery No. 1, K. T., Article VII, Section 3, Article VIII, Other Funds, Present Article VIII, Amendments Section 1, to read: Article IX, Amendments, Section 1, etc., copy of which is hereto annexed.
2. Proposed amendment to By-Laws of the Constitution of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, Section 1, Article 4, copy of which is hereto annexed.
3. Proposed amendments to By-Laws of Bethlehem Commandery No. 43 K. T., copy of which is hereto annexed.
4. Proposed amendments to By-Laws of Thomas Smith Webb Commandery No. 51 K. T., copy of which is hereto annexed.
5. Proposed amendment to By-Laws of Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8 K. T., copy of which is hereto annexed.

6. Proposed amendment to By-Laws of Worcester County Commandery No. 5 K. T., Article V, Section 1, copy of which is enclosed herewith.

Courteously yours,

LOUIS L. GREEN
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was VOTED to accept the above report and print same in the Proceedings.

ST. JOHN'S COMMANDERY NO. 1, K. T.

The following amendments having been properly presented in writing and in conformity with the requirements of the By-laws have been published in two official notices action therefore can be taken at any conclave.

Article VII, Section 3, amended to read:

The Board of Trustees shall cause the fund to be invested and reinvested in such investments as in their judgment shall be safest and most productive with right to buy, sell, transfer, exchange, or in any other manner acquire or dispose of any investments.

They shall select a place of deposit for the securities where they will be secure from fire and theft.

They shall keep a full and accurate record of the investments of the fund, and at each annual Conclave they shall present to the Commandery a correct statement of the fund in detail, exhibiting its exact nature and condition.

Article VIII, Section, Other Funds

The Board of Trustees shall cause the monies of any other funds under their jurisdiction to be invested and reinvested in such investments as in their judgment shall be safest and most productive with right to buy, sell, transfer, exchange, or in any other manner acquire or dispose of any investments.

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Present Article VIII, Amendments Section 1, shall then be amended to read:

Article IX, Amendments, Section 1, etc.

H. H. WARDLE
Recorder

Attest:

St. Johns Commandery No. 1 K. T.

Approved—Louis L. Green, Jurisprudence Committee,
October 14, 1959.

BETHLEHEM COMMANDERY No. 43

November 10, 1959

George A. Weeks, P. G. C.
Grand Recorder
405 Masonic Temple
51 Boylston Street
Boston 16, Massachusetts

Dear Right Eminent Sir George:

In accordance with your directive of September 29, 1959, please note the following amendments to the By-Laws of Bethlehem Commandery, duly passed last evening at a Regular Conclave of Bethlehem Commandery No. 43, Knights Templar, subject only to the approval of the Jurisprudence Committee of the Grand Commandery.

The same is herewith submitted for their approval in Triplicate copies.

The By-Laws of Bethlehem Commandery No. 43, Knights Templar is hereby amended by adding a new ARTICLE IX, as follows:

ARTICLE IX GLOUCESTER MASONIC BUILDING CORPORATION

SECTION 1. MEMBERSHIP. Bethlehem Commandery No. 43, Knights Templar, being a member of the Gloucester Masonic Building Corporation shall not relinquish its membership in said Corporation except by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present after written notice of such intended action.

SECTION 2. REPRESENTATIVES. The first group of representatives from Bethlehem Commandery to the Gloucester Masonic Building Corporation shall consist of three members to be elected for terms of one, two and three years respectively, and thereafter each representative shall be chosen for a term of three years; and further provided that no representative shall serve successive terms, but there shall always be a lapse of at least one year between terms.

SECTION 3. ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES. These representatives shall be chosen by vote of the Commandery at its regular Conclave in December. Each representative shall promptly after being chosen as such, present a certificate signed by the Recorder of the Commandery to the Corporation to the effect that he is a duly chosen representative. Any representative of the Commandery may be removed by vote of the Commandery and a certified copy of this vote shall be delivered to the Secretary of the Corporation.

We would appreciate the attention and approval of the Jurisprudence Committee at their earliest convenience in order that the provisions of this new Article may be immediately put into effect with regard to the Gloucester Masonic Building Corporation set-up insofar as it relates to Bethlehem Commandery.

Courteously and fraternally yours,

EARLE A. MERCHANT
Recorder, Bethlehem Commandery No. 43, K. T.

Approved—Louis L. Green, Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee.

THOMAS SMITH WEBB COMMANDERY No. 51

December 19, 1959

Sir Kt. George A. Weeks, P.G.C.
405 Masonic Temple
51 Boylston Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Sir George:

At a Stated Conclave of Thomas Smith Webb Commandery No. 51, K. T., on December 18, 1959, in conformity to the requirements of our By-Laws, the following amendment to the By-Laws of this Commandery was adopted. It is herewith submitted through you to the Grand Commander for his approval, subject to validation at a subsequent Conclave of the Grand Commandery.

To amend the third paragraph of Article IV, Section 1, by omitting the words "it has stood from one stated conclave to another and," so that the paragraph shall read "Every application for the Orders shall be referred to a committee of three members, who shall make diligent and thorough examination into the character and Masonic standing of the applicant and no ballot shall be taken on any such application until such committee has reported thereon in writing."

Courteously yours,
ALFRED E. GRANT
Recorder

Approved—Louis L. Green, Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee.

HOLY SEPULCHRE COMMANDERY No. 8

January 7, 1960

Proposed Addition to the By-Laws

As set forth in Article 13, Section 1 of the by-laws of this Commandery the proposed addition to Article 3 was read at the stated conclave December 18, 1959, printed and enclosed with the General Orders No. 5 for action at the stated conclave January 15, 1960.

BY-LAWS OF HOLY SEPULCHRE COMMANDERY NO. 8,
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

As Present

ARTICLE III

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

THE COMMANDER

SECTION 1. The Commander shall cause the by-laws of the Commandery to be duly enforced, together with the constitutional require-

ments to which he is bound. He shall see that accurate records are kept and just accounts rendered; that regular returns are made to the Grand Recorder; also that the annual dues of members are promptly paid. He shall, with his Generalissimo and Captain-General, attend all conclaves of the Grand Commandery, and shall exercise a general supervision over the affairs of the Commandery.

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SECTION 1A. The Commander shall together with his Generalissimo and Captain General, at the stated conclave in December of each year, appoint a Sir Knight to act as the Proxy representative of Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8, Knights Templar, at the Annual Meeting of the stockholders of The Masonic Temple Company, Pawtucket, R. I.

Attest:

ARTHUR L. WILBUR
Recorder

Approved—Louis L. Green, Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee.

WORCESTER COUNTY COMMANDERY No. 5, K. T.

As of May 1, 1947, ARTICLE V, Section 1, now reads:

The fee for the Orders shall be Fifty Dollars; the fee for affiliation shall be Ten dollars.

Abolish that portion of the Article referring to Life Memberships which will discontinue future Life Memberships.

The above was approved May 21, 1947, by William O. Tuckerman, Grand Recorder.

On November 4, 1954, the Report of the Committee on Life Membership which consisted of Em. Sirs Dwight C. Page, William E. Armour, Robert C. Eames, which had been submitted October 7, 1954, to be carried on the November Notice was so voted and the full Article now reads:

ARTICLE V, SECTION 1

The fee for the Orders shall be Fifty Dollars; The fee for affiliation shall be Ten Dollars.

The fee for Life Membership shall be twenty times the Annual Dues.

Life Members shall thereafter be exempt from the payment of Annual Dues but shall not be exempt from any and all assessments properly made.

Approved by—Louis L. Green, Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee, April 2, 1960.

REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

January 26, 1960

Em. Sir George A. Weeks
Grand Recorder
405 Masonic Temple
51 Boylston Street
Boston 16, Massachusetts

Eminent and Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of November 4th to the Jurisprudence Committee enclosing a copy of Section 1 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, together with a copy of the amendment to this Article submitted at the semi-annual conclave on May 2, 1959, I have asked George Rowell to comment on this in view of the fact that he formed the new corporation. His report has been submitted to the other members of the Committee and we have approved it. I am enclosing herewith a copy. I hope this is sufficient for your purpose.

Courteously yours,

LOUIS L. GREEN
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

January 19, 1960

The Honorable Louis Lawrence Green
17 Dunster Street
Cambridge 38, Massachusetts

Dear Louis:

I have examined the material forwarded in your letter of November 16, 1959, together with the by-laws of the Grand Commandery corporation and, in my opinion, several steps will be necessary before the situation can be cleared up.

Substantial conflict exists between the pre-existing by-law of the unincorporated Grand Commandery, the by-law proposed at the semi-annual conclave and Article IV of the by-laws of the Grand Commandery corporation. The pre-existing by-law of the unincorporated Grand Commandery provided for stated conclaves in October and May "at such time and place within our Grand Jurisdiction as the Grand Commander shall appoint" with the election and installation of officers to be in October. The purport of the amendment is to strike out the requirement of the May meeting and, of course, as actually presented, it also omitted the requirement that the annual meeting be "within our Grand Jurisdiction."

Article IV of the corporate by-laws provided for an annual conclave on the second Saturday in October in Boston, a stated conclave in May and made provisions for special conclaves not substantially different from those of the existing by-laws.

These discrepancies are, of course, substantial and, in my opinion, when brought to the attention of the Grand Commander will require him under Article XIV, Section 3, of the corporate by-laws to call a special meeting of the Board of Directors for the purpose of initiating an amendment or amendments to the corporate by-laws and/or the constitution and regulations as are necessary to avoid the conflict.

We next reach the question of what substantive provision should be made. First, with respect to time, I believe that a fixed date for an annual meeting within the month of October is required in order to comply with the corporation laws of the Commonwealth and, hence, believe that either the second Saturday in October as presently denominated or some other fixed day in that month must be expressly set. With respect to the stated May meeting, there is no reason why its date should not be selected by the Grand Commander as presently provided by both the corporate by-law and the constitution and regulations. The question of whether the requirement of a May meeting should be compulsory as at present or discretionary as proposed in the amendment introduced by Right Eminent Sir A. Kenneth Martin is, of course, a matter of Grand Commandery policy and beyond the scope of the duties of this committee.

A conflict also exists in the provisions with respect to the place of the annual meeting in that the existing provision of the constitution and regulations allows it to be anywhere within our Grand Jurisdiction. The amendment as borne in the notice of the October meeting provides no restriction as to place and the corporate by-laws require the October annual conclave to be at Boston.

In my opinion, the requirement in the corporate by-law that it be in Boston should be continued. It is, of course, true that a charitable corporation, unlike a business corporation, is not subject to an express statutory requirement that its meetings be at its headquarters. Nevertheless, it is an almost universal practice that such corporations have their annual meetings in the Commonwealth and usually at their headquarters and the holding of an annual meeting outside of the Commonwealth would be so unusual that it might well invite investigation on behalf of any one of several interested agencies of the Commonwealth.

With respect to the stated May conclave (if one is retained) and special conclaves, a discretionary provision permitting (though not requiring) them to be held anywhere in the Grand Jurisdiction (and hence, possibly in Rhode Island) would not be nearly as objectionable as such a provision with respect to the annual meeting. I do, however, have some doubts as to the wisdom of out-of-state conclaves in any event and would certainly feel that any conclave at which important and/or controversial matters are to be considered ought to be held within the Commonwealth.

Courteously yours,

GEORGE B. ROWELL

March 30, 1960

Rt. Em. Sir George A. Weeks
Grand Recorder
Grand Commandery K. T. Mass. & R. I.
Masonic Temple
Boston 16, Massachusetts

Dear Brother Weeks:

We have checked our records, and the Second Tuesday in October of each year would appear to make a permanent date for the Grand Commandery to hold its Annual Meeting.

Ionic and Doric Halls as well as the large Banquet Hall would be available on that date.

Kindly confirm this reservation whenever you decide to make the change.

Cordially and fraternally,

CECIL R. CRISSEY
Superintendent

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTMAS OFFERING AND GOOD CHEER

Pawtucket, R. I., May 7, 1960

To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery:

Sir Knights:

Your Committee reports its activities for 1959-1960 as follows:

Under date of November 1, 1959, Official Order No. 1 was sent out by Sir Knight Elliott N. Holley, Right Eminent Grand Commander, containing the usual appeal for the Christmas Collection of Funds for the needy and with this admonition: "This Official Order is to be read at the Head of the Lines at the Conclave immediately following its receipt, and the results reported to me on forms furnished by the Grand Commandery."

Grand Commandery mailed the forms early in December, follow-up letters were mailed and on March 19th, the Right Eminent Grand Commander wrote a personal appeal to the Commanders of the Commanderies that had not reported, requesting them to report immediately in order that this report could be completed.

We all realize that this Grand Commandery is now incorporated as a Charitable Fraternal Organization, and we must be able to report how much we spend for this purpose—49 Commanderies contributed a total of \$9,052.96

which is \$196.78 less than last year. St. Paul Commandery No. 40 has not reported to date.

The total amount collected since the inception of this Fund in 1931 is \$188,265.60.

We recommend that future Official Orders No. 1 will add the following: "on or before February 1st." So that Official Order No. 1 will read "reported to me on forms furnished by Grand Commandery on or before February 1st."

Courteously submitted,

R. E. GEORGE A. WEEKS, *Chairman*
E. SIR NORMAN GILLIN
E. SIR KARL W. P. REECE
E. SIR ELMER H. ROBINSON
E. SIR JOHN LYONS
E. SIR HENRY L. GARDNER
E. SIR HERBERT W. ANNIS
E. SIR ARVIN C. M. FRENCH
E. SIR KARL O. LEPISTO

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was VOTED to accept the above report and print same in the Proceedings.

REPORT—NEW MEMBERSHIP AND PUBLICITY

May 6, 1960

Right Eminent Grand Commander and Sir Knights:

We again established our Grand Commandery membership goal for the year at 1,000 new petitions, including affiliations and reinstatements.

As of April 30, 1960, we had received a total of 678 petitions compared with 619 a year ago. Fourteen commanderies had reached or exceeded their respective quotas. Petition activity was reasonably good through March, but fell off in April when we received only 70 toward a quota goal of 126.

Although it looks as if we may obtain more petitions this year than in either of the two preceding years, it would appear, based on our experience in recent years, that the gain will be slight and that the total number of petitions received in the year will not exceed 80% of our quota.

We have continued to make use of the Templar to urge petition activity and keep Commandery council and Grand Commandery officers informed of our progress.

Courteously submitted,

J. LEROY JONES, *Director*
Membership Progress and Publicity

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was VOTED to accept the above report and print same in the Proceedings.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR INSTRUCTOR

May 7, 1960

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and Members of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

The Inspections of 47 Commanderies have been held to date.

There have been 31 10— marks earned, 3 less than last year, with 9 Commanderies earning a 9+, 4 a 9, 2 a 9— and 1 an 8+. I am glad to report that 5 Commanderies moved back into the 10— class this year but sorry to see 13 Commanderies drop down 1 to 2 grades.

Holy Sepulchre Commandery earned the highest mark— 993 points, with Haverhill Commandery and Gethsemane Commandery tying for second with 991 points.

We again held four Exemplifications in different parts of the jurisdiction with 42 Commanderies in attendance and 38 Commanders attending at least one meeting.

Courteously submitted,

THOMAS C. BROWN
Inspector Instructor

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was VOTED to accept the above report and print same in the Proceedings.

REPORT OF TRIENNIAL COMMITTEE

Pawtucket, Rhode Island, May 7, 1960

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and Sir Knights of this Grand Commandery, K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Sir Knights:

It is difficult to give you a full report at this time due to the fact that the Grand Encampment has not issued an Official Bulletin regarding the Triennial Conclave.

This much we do know—the Triennial Conclave will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, on August 12th to 18th inclusive (there is a possibility that it may end on the 17th) in 1961. The Cleveland Hotel will be the Grand Encampment Headquarters. Grand Encampment will reconvene on Saturday, A.M., August 12th. It is anticipated that the Parade will be held on Saturday, August 12th, and the Parade will

end at the Baseball Park. All drills will be held in the Public Auditorium on Monday, August 14th. Lake trips are possible but it is too early to be definite.

Your Committee is endeavoring to get a trip through the Great Lakes and the St. Lawrence Seaway to Montreal, Canada. Full details will be given when plans are completed.

Courteously submitted,

CLARENCE E. BOOTH
Chairman

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was VOTED to accept the above report and print same in the Proceedings.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

May 7, 1960

*To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery
K. T.:*

Sir Knights:

Supplementing the Financial Report of the Educational Committee for the Division of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, as prepared by the Auditors—

(NOTE: Our Auditor, Em. Sir Hurlbut L. Plummer became seriously ill when half-way through the audit, and on January 27, 1960 he passed away.)

This necessitated a delay in filing our report to the Grand Encampment Committee and in procuring a new Auditor to complete the audit. We were fortunate to obtain Sir Knight Gardner B. Wardwell, C.P.A., an auditor who had assisted Sir Knight Plummer in the past.

Excerpt from a letter received from John Temple Rice, Grand Secretary of the Grand Encampment Committee:

"The Financial statement, as submitted by you is correct so far as this office is concerned and it is approved as of this date. Your statement is very satisfactory and finely prepared, and I enclose you a receipt for same."

Copies of these reports have been filed with the Grand Recorder of this Grand Commandery, which reports will be published in the 1960 Proceedings. We present additional information regarding the workings of your Committee.

Our Division Committee has made loans during the past year to 89 boys, amounting to \$32,825.50, and to 19 girls, amounting to \$8,250.00, with a grand total of \$41,075.00. Several requests were rejected for various reasons.

The Foundation is in excellent condition due to the wisdom and keen interest of the Committee. It is to be commended on its discretion and management. Dry figures of dollars and cents in a report rarely ever holds your attention, and we will keep them to a minimum.

The control of the Fund is in good hands—men who are giving their time and effort in this work of aiding the young men and women to procure college educations and thus fit them better for life's battles. These men do this "without the hope of Fee or reward."

During the year, there has been some question regarding our interest of 4%, while other agencies are getting a greater interest rate. The majority of our Committee feels that this Fund is a Sacred Trust and it was not intended that it should make a profit. "This Foundation is a revolving Trust Fund authorized at the 35th Triennial Conclave at New Orleans in 1922 to help students of good scholastic record to complete their education . . . Thus enabling them to become more useful members of society and better citizens of this Republic."

The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A. donated \$100,000.00 for the Endowment Fund, and each Sir Knight was assessed one dollar for nine years to provide the necessary funds. In 1958 the assets totaled \$5,165,282.54.

If it were possible to include in this report the enthusiastic letters of sincere thanks that we receive from these students, we feel certain that you would be proud to be a Knight Templar.

We submitted our Proposed Budget for the year 1960 at the Annual Conclave held on Saturday, October 10th, 1959. The Finance Committee and Grand Commandery approved this budget, subject to the approval of the Grand Encampment Educational Foundation Committee. This Grand Encampment Committee has approved our Budget for the year January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960.

Your Grand Commander gave publicity to the functions of the Grand Commandery Educational Foundation on every occasion possible, and the Inspecting Officers were directed to do the same in their talks at the Inspections. You can call on us for information at all times, but remember that this is a loan—not a grant or scholarship—and the students must be residents of Massachusetts or Rhode Island. They must be Juniors or Seniors in any accredited college or university, regardless of its location. We also loan for higher degrees, Vocational Training, Business Colleges, Nursing, and etc., or any course that does not take more than two years. There is no restriction as to race, color or creed, but he or she must be a citizen.

This is your money. The Committee is not squandering it, but we need everyone's cooperation to fill our obligation to see that needy students are served. Truly this Foundation is a "Sacred Trust Fund" and we are endeavoring to keep it as such.

Courteously submitted,

GEORGE A. WEEKS
Secretary

Committee:

CLARENCE R. DAVIS, *Chairman*
ROBERT E. POWELL
RAYMOND D. DOUGLASS
HAROLD W. SPRAGUE
S. KENNETH SKOLFIELD

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED to accept the report and print same in the Proceedings.

February 1, 1960

Educational Committee
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar
and the Appendant Orders of
Massachusetts and Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

In accordance with instructions, the books and records of the Educational Foundation, Division of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, have been audited for the year ended December 31, 1959, and I submit in the appended exhibits the condition of the Fund on December 31, 1959, and the result of operations for the year then ended.

The following comments are made relative to the work done.

CASH

Cash in the checking account and in the various savings bank accounts was confirmed by certificates from the depositories. The various savings bank books were examined and checked with the confirmation certificates. Deposits, warrants, and cancelled checks were verified.

PRINCIPAL

The changes in this account during the year ended December 31, 1959, are as set forth in Exhibit C.

GENERAL

Depreciation on office equipment has been provided for the past year. Accounting expense and the liability to the

Grand Encampment has been accrued as at the year end. Balances are shown covering liability for withholding and social security taxes.

Subject to the foregoing comments, I hereby certify that, in my opinion, the attached Exhibits fairly present the condition of the Educational Foundation Division as at December 31, 1959, and the result of operations for the year then ended.

Respectfully submitted,

GARDNER B. WARDWELL
Certified Public Accountant

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND DETAIL INFORMATION

DIVISION OF GRAND COMMANDERY OF MASSACHUSETTS AND
RHODE ISLAND

January 1, 1959 through December 31, 1959. To be Filed
before February 1, 1960

Required Capital (9 x 1932 membership @ \$1.00 each).....	\$218,889.00
Total Assessments collected to December 31, 1959.....	\$243,764.13
Earned Income to December 31, 1959.....	\$ 527.09
Donations to December 31, 1959.....	\$ 903.97

OPERATIONS

1. Cash on Hand or in Bank (line 14 of December 31, 1958, statement)	\$ 10,599.16
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RECEIPTS

2. Principal Repayment on Stu- dent Loans	\$ 44,019.13
3. Interest received on Student Loans	\$ 5,080.73
4. Income on Securities and Sav- ings Accounts:	
(a) Received	2,732.39
(b) Deferred	187.50
	8,000.62
5. Other Income:	
(a) Securities sold, exchanged or matured	20,000.00
(b) Recovery on Loans Charg- ed-off (Report only Net Amount Received by Divi- sion from Grand Encamp- ment)	157.08
(c) Transferred from Savings Accounts .....	.....
(d) Miscellaneous (specify) Grand Commandery Loan	5,000.00
6. Total Receipts	77,176.83
7. Total Cash available (line 1 plus line 6)	\$ 87,775.99

DISBURSEMENTS

8. Loans to Students		
(a) (Male 90)		
(Amount \$33,425.50)	\$ 33,425.50	
(b) (Female 19)		
(Amount \$8,250.00)	8,250.00	
9. Scholarships (authorized by G. E. Committee from Current Receipts)		
10. Transferred to Knights Templar Scholarship Account...		
11. Operating Costs (line 52) (same as Expenses of Administration)	6,431.04	
12. Other Disbursements:		
(a) Securities purchased (Describe fully on Pages 5 and 6)		
(b) Cost of Coupon books not used	116.28	
(c) Transferred to and Interest left in Savings Accounts	25,000.00	
(d) 5% Paid G. E. Committee 1958 Statement	357.51	
(e) Miscellaneous (specify) Repayment of Grand Commandery Loan	5,000.00	
13. Total Disbursements..		\$ 78,580.33

ASSETS

14. Cash on Hand or in Bank, December 31, 1959 (line 7 minus 13)	9,195.66	
15. Funds Invested: Securities and Savings Accounts	80,892.53	
16. Student Loans Outstanding (Principal only)	155,293.45	
17. Bank Account for K. T. Scholarship Account (line 94)...		
18. Due from Grand Commandery or Assessments		
19. Other Assets:		
(a) Accrued Interest on Invested Funds (if not added to line 15)		
(b) Furniture and Fixtures..	6.53	
(c) Miscellaneous (specify), Inventory Stationery	135.08	
20. Total Assets		\$245,523.25

LIABILITIES

21. Due the Committee on the Educational Foundation of the Grand Encampment for EXPENSE: 5% of lines 3 and 4. REMIT AMOUNT SHOWN, WITH THIS STATEMENT, to the Committee	\$ 400.03	
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22. Other Liabilities (see page 7)	
23. Total Liabilities (line 21 plus line 22)	\$ 400.03

NET WORTH

24. Net Worth (line 20 minus line 23)	\$245,123.22
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NOTE: Administration expenses are payable from the earnings of the current year. The 5% conserved (line 55) and any unexpended income (line 57) are the principal sources of gain (line 83). Gain is important to offset inevitable losses. Please watch expenses closely but be generous with costs of helpful advice and counsel for recovery of doubtful loans.

OPERATING COSTS

51. Maximum available for Administration Expenses 1959 (90% of lines 3 and 4, page 1, see Section 17. B. Regulations and Standard Practice September 20, 1952).....	\$ 7,200.56
52. Expenses of Administration (per detail, Page 3) (and same as Line 11).....	6,431.04
53. Balance	\$ 769.52

CAPITAL GAIN OR LOSS

ADDITIONS

	Assessments	Donations	Earned Income
54. Net Worth, December 31, 1958 (total equals line 24 of 1958 statement)	\$243,764.13	\$ 903.97	\$ 71.97
55. Conserved Earnings 1959 (5% of lines 3 and 4).....			400.03
56. Remaining 5% Earnings, 1959 Expense of G. E. Committee			400.03
57. Unexpended Income (line 53 if black)			769.52
58. Recovery on Loans charged-off (Net amount received) Same as Line 5, (b)			157.08
59. Adjustments to increase Student Loan Account (Principal only)			54.46
60. Profit on Sale of Securities..			
61. Additional Assessments			
62. Donations			
63. Miscellaneous (specify)			
64. Gross Capital	\$243,764.13	\$ 903.97	\$ 1,709.15

DEDUCTIONS

65. Uncollectible Loans charged-off (Principal only) approved by G. E. Committee (same as page 6, line 95)	\$ 780.99
66. Loss by Compromise Adjustment (same as page 7, line 96)	

67. Loss on Sale of Securities....	.....			
68. Depreciation on Furniture & Fixtures	9.86			
69. Excess Operating Cost (line 53 if red) .....	.....			
70. Adjustments to decrease Student Loan Account (Principal only)	63.15			
71. Scholarships (page 1, line 9) (deductible only from items 3 and 4, less item 52. See list on page 3) .....	.....			
72. Scholarships from Scholarship Account (list on page 3)....	.....			
73. The Committee on Educational Foundation 5% Earnings 1959	400.03			
74. Miscellaneous (specify) .....	.....			
75. Total Deductions	1,254.03			
76. Capital Account, December 31, 1959 (line 64 minus line 75)	\$243,764.13	\$	903.97	\$ 455.12
77. Capital Account, December 31, 1958 (line 54)	243,764.13		903.97	71.97
78. Increase or Decrease Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 1959 (line 76 minus line 77)		\$	527.09	

ANALYSIS OF CAPITAL GAIN

79. Earnings for 1959 (lines 3 and 4, page 1)	\$ 8,000.62			
80. Other Income (lines 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63)	211.54			
Total	\$ 8,212.16			
81. Operating Costs (Same as Line 11, Line 52 and Expenses of Administration)	6,431.04			
82. Other Expenses (lines 65, 66, 67, 68, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74)....	1,254.03			
Total	\$ 7,685.07			
83. Net Increase or Decrease (same as line 78)	\$ 527.09			

EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRATION (Same as Line 11 and Line 52)

Salaries: (Give Gross Totals, including Withholding for Income Taxes)	
Executive Officer	\$1,898.00
Treasurer	300.00
Stenographer or Clerical	2,184.00
Attorney or Collection Fees	209.34
Rent	675.00
Safe Deposit Box .....	.....
P. O. Box Rent .....	.....
Fidelity Bonds	190.34
F.I.C.A. Taxes (Employer only)	91.00
Audit	300.00
Committee Meetings	54.48
Traveling Expense Contacting Loanees .....	.....
Postage and Express	43.93
Telephone and Telegraph	156.53
Stationery, Supplies, Etc.	24.32
Water	46.00

Laundry	12.00
Miscellaneous (Itemize) .....	.....
(Do not include item of 5% paid to Grand Encampment Committee, shown on Statement, Page 1, Line 21)	
Credit Reports	229.90
Contract—Maintenance of Typewriter	16.20
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$6,431.04
(Same as line 11, page 1 and line 52, page 2)	

INVESTED FUNDS (Describe fully)

Savings Accounts:				
Bank	Location	Int. Rate	Amount	
Charlestown Savings Bank	Charlestown, Mass.	3½%	\$20,000.00	
Home Savings Bank	Boston, Mass.	3½%	40,000.00	
Salem Savings Bank	Salem, Mass.	3½%	2,000.00	
South Boston Savings Bank	Boston, Mass.	3¾%	3,000.00	
So. Weymouth Sav. Bank	So. Weymouth, Mass.	3½%	10,814.00	
Weymouth Savings Bank	Weymouth, Mass.	3½%	5,078.53	
Total			\$80,892.53	

FIDELITY BONDS

(As Provided by Section 10 of the Regulations & Standard Practice)

Officer Bonded	Amount of Bond	Amount of Premium	Paid by Grand Commandery or Foundation	Expiration Date
Exec. Sec.	\$ 2,500.00	\$190.34	Foundation	11/6/60
As. to Ex. Sec.	2,500.00			
Treasurer	12,500.00			

3 Year Bond Paid on an Annual Basis

AUDIT

Is your Annual Audit made by (a) Certified Public Accountants? Yes or (b) by the Finance Committee of the Grand Commandery?....

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct Financial Statement of the Knights Templar Educational Foundation Division of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island as of December 31, 1959.

Signed GEORGE A. WEEKS

Secretary

Signed A. KENNETH MARTIN

Treasurer

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR., spoke briefly in regard to the "ALL MASONIC NITE" to be held in Boston Garden on Saturday, June 11th.

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.: R. E. Sir, I submit the following Amendment to the Constitution of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

To amend Article XVIII, Section 2, by changing the words "eighty-four and one-half" to "one dollar four and one-half" so that said Section 2 shall read:

"Every Constituent Commandery shall make annually to the Grand Recorder on or before the tenth of August, a return of the Roll of Officers and members and of all candidates for the Orders accepted or rejected up to and including June 30 next preceding and pay to this Grand Commandery five dollars for every Knight receiving the Order of the Temple and one dollar four and one-half cents plus the amount of Per Capita dues assessed by Grand Encampment for every member returned and from the sum thus collected shall be paid the Per Capita for every member levied by the Grand Encampment. A Commandery failing to make said annual return on or before the tenth day of August shall pay a penalty of twenty-five dollars."

Or such figure, in lieu of "one dollar four and one half cents" as may be voted at the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery in October.

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.: R. E. Sir, I request that the Grand Recorder be instructed to obtain, from the other Grand Jurisdictions, the amount of Per Capita Tax assessed by their Grand Commanderies. This information be available for study in regard to the above.

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS—read the following RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION

Whereas: It is our firm conviction, as suggested by R. E. Sir Alfred C. Blake in his Annual Address given on Saturday, October 10, 1959—"That the officers of Grand Commandery should conform to SECTION 19 of the CONSTITUTION, STATUTES, DISCIPLINARY RULES, AND STANDING RESOLUTIONS, CEREMONIES, AND FORMS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA."

Whereas: The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, at their 44th Triennial Conclave held in San Francisco, California on September 19-20-21-22-23, 1949 adopted amendments to Section 19 and 20—"The officers of the Grand Encampment shall consist of and etc.—The first four of whom and the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder shall be elected and installed and the others shall be appointed by the Grand Master."

Therefore be it RESOLVED "That the Constitution of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island be amended as follows:

To Amend ARTICLE 7 Section 2 "OFFICERS"

"The first four of the above officers and the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder shall be elected. The remaining officers, the Grand Prelate, a Grand Sentinel, Division Commanders and an Inspector Instructor, shall be appointed by the Grand Commander."

NOTE: This Amendment becomes effective upon its passage.

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS: I have a motion to put on record, I move Sir, that a VOTE OF THANKS be extended to the Officers and Members of HOLY SEPULCHRE COMMANDERY No. 8, K. T., for making the arrangements to procure a meeting place for our 154th Semi-Annual Conclave, at no expense to our Grand Commandery. (Voted unanimously)

R. E. SIR GRAND COMMANDER: Is there any further business to come before this Semi-Annual Conclave.

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS: R. E. Sir, there is nothing further on my desk.

R. E. GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, Attention.

R. E. GRAND COMMANDER: Reverend and Sir Knight Leonard S. Redlawn will you lead our devotions?

R. E. GRAND COMMANDER: I now declare this one hundred and fifty-fourth Semi-Annual Conclave of this Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island adjourned. (12:15 P. M.)

Courteously submitted,

GEORGE A. WEEKS
Grand Recorder

REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
**Grand Commandery Knights Templars
of Massachusetts and Rhode Island**

AT THE
157TH ANNUAL CONCLAVE

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, OCTOBER 1, 1960

The One Hundred and Fifty-Seventh Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island convened in Ionic all, Masonic Temple, Boston, Massachusetts. Sir Knight Elliott N. Holley, Right Eminent Grand Commander, presided. Divine Blessing was asked by Em. Sir Knight and Reverend Frank B. Crandall, Grand Prelate.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

The Credential Committee reported that there were 190 Sir Knights present, representing 42 Commanderies.

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT

SIR KNIGHT ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY.....*R. E. Grand Commander*
SIR KNIGHT CLARENCE E. BOOTH.....*V. E. Deputy Grand Commander*
SIR KNIGHT RAYMOND D. DOUGLASS.....*E. Grand Generalissimo*
SIR KNIGHT WILLIAM F. WEST.....*E. Grand Captain General*
SIR KNIGHT LOUIS A. BEAUDOIN.....*E. Grand Senior Warden*
SIR KNIGHT GILBERT G. MACHON.....*E. Grand Junior Warden*
SIR KNIGHT FRANK B. CRANDALL.....*E. Grand Prelate*
SIR KNIGHT RALPH E. NOBLE.....*E. Associate Grand Prelate*
SIR KNIGHT A. KENNETH MARTIN.....*R. E. Grand Treasurer*
SIR KNIGHT GEORGE A. WEEKS.....*R. E. Grand Recorder*
SIR KNIGHT RUSSELL R. LONG.....*E. Grand Standard Bearer*
SIR KNIGHT G. BURTON LONG.....*E. Grand Sword Bearer*
SIR KNIGHT JOHN J. MICK.....*E. Grand Warder*
SIR KNIGHT HERMAN C. MCSTAY.....*E. Grand Captain of the Guard*
SIR KNIGHT CLARENCE R. DAVIS.....*E. Grand Sentinel*
SIR KNIGHT GEORGE C. PATTON, JR.....*E. Division Commander*
SIR KNIGHT GORDON C. PLAYER.....*E. Division Commander*
SIR KNIGHT THOMAS C. BROWN.....*E. Inspector Instructor*

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS PRESENT

R. E. SIR JOHN E. RINES	R. E. SIR FREDERIC KENNEDY
R. E. SIR FRANK H. WILSON	R. E. SIR HARRIE M. TAFT
R. E. SIR HAROLD S. CROCKER	R. E. SIR KENNETH H. EARLE
R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS	R. E. SIR MORTIMER W. SCHROEDER
R. E. SIR A. KENNETH MARTIN	R. E. SIR THOMAS A. BOOTH
R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.	R. E. SIR DWIGHT C. PAGE
R. E. SIR CHARLES F. FAIRBANKS, 2ND	R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Now, if the officers, who have been chosen to present the Grand Officers, will retire at this time, I will send immediately to receive them. Eminent Grand Captain of the Guard, you will form an escort and retire to escort our Distinguished Guests.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS PRESENT

- R. E. SIR WARD I. EKAS, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of the State of New York and R. E. SIR J. GEORGE LANG, Past Grand Commander—Introduced by R. E. SIR FRANK H. WILSON.
- R. E. SIR GEORGE E. CUMMINGS, Past Grand Commander and personal Representative of R. E. Sir Arthur D. Bishop, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of the State of Vermont—Introduced by R. E. SIR A. KENNETH MARTIN.
- V. E. SIR ARTHUR W. JOHNSON, personal Representative of R. E. Harold W. Groatorex, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of the State of New Hampshire—Introduced by R. E. SIR FREDERIC KENNEDY.
- R. E. SIR JAMES ROBERTSON, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of the State of Connecticut—Introduced by EM. SIR HAROLD A. BUDREAU.
- R. E. SIR KENNETH M. RITCHIE, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of the State of Maine—Introduced by R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE.
- R. E. SIR STANLEY P. MATTHEWS, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of the State of New Jersey—Introduced by R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.
- R. E. SIR EDWARD THATCHER, JR., Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the State of Maryland; R. E. SIR ETREBIL A. SCHAUB, R. E. SIR HARRY C. SCHROEDER, Past Grand Commanders, and EM. SIR WILLIAM W. WERKING—Introduced by R. E. Sir Mortimer W. Schroeder.
- R. E. SIR JOSEPH D. YERKES, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of the District of Columbia—Introduced by R. E. SIR HAROLD S. CROCKER.
- MOST ILL. JAMES C. BAYLEY, Grand Master of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Massachusetts—Introduced by V. E. SIR CLARENCE E. BOOTH.
- MOST EX. EUGENE P. CARVER, JR., Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts—Introduced by R. E. SIR DWIGHT C. PAGE.
- R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR., Past Grand Commander and personal representative of Ill. Francis R. Sagle, Potentate of Aleppo Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.—Introduced by R. E. SIR KENNETH H. EARLE.
- REV. AND R. E. SIR HOWARD T. JOSLYN, Department Commander, Northeastern Division of the Grand Encampment K. T. and personal representative of Sir Kt. Louis H. Wieber, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment K. T. of U. S. A.—Introduced by R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS.
- M. WOR. AND EM. SIR LAURENCE E. EATON, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts, and RT. WOR. JOHN N. HALL, Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts—Introduced by R. E. SIR THOMAS A. BOOTH.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights be seated. Sir Knight Grand Captain of the Guard, dismiss the Escort.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: At this time I will ask the R. E. Grand Recorder to read the Roll of Grand Representatives.

ROLL CALL OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Alabama.....	EM. SIR WILLIAM TURNER
Arizona.....	R. E. SIR FREDERIC KENNEDY
Arkansas.....	EM. SIR CHARLES W. GURDY
California.....	EM. SIR HERMAN C. MCSTAY
Colorado.....	EM. SIR ROBERT E. POWELL
Connecticut.....	EM. SIR HAROLD A. BUDREAU
District of Columbia.....	R. E. SIR HAROLD S. CROCKER
Florida.....	R. E. SIR DWIGHT C. PAGE
Georgia.....	EM. SIR JAMES R. HOOPER
Idaho.....	EM. SIR HOWARD L. GEER
Illinois.....	EM. SIR ARTHUR H. ERICKSON
Indiana.....	EM. SIR FRANK B. ELLS
Iowa.....	EM. SIR PRESCOTT W. EATON
Kansas.....	EM. SIR JAMES C. BAYLEY
Kentucky.....	EM. SIR HAROLD L. BURR
Louisiana.....	EM. SIR WILLIAM S. COOPER
Maryland.....	R. E. SIR MORTIMER W. SCHROEDER
Michigan.....	EM. SIR WILLIAM F. CLARK
Minnesota.....	R. E. SIR THOMAS A. BOOTH
Mississippi.....	EM. SIR ERFORD W. POOLE
Montana.....	R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE
Nebraska.....	EM. SIR JOHN F. MITCHELL
Nevada.....	EM. SIR ALEXANDER CAMPBELL
New Hampshire.....	R. E. SIR JOHN E. RINES
New Jersey.....	R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.
New Mexico.....	EM. SIR CLARENCE E. BOOTH
New York.....	R. E. SIR FRANK H. WILSON
North Dakota.....	EM. SIR WILLIAM H. EVANS
Ohio.....	R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS
Oregon.....	EM. SIR GEORGE RINGCHRIST
Pennsylvania.....	R. E. SIR A. KENNETH MARTIN
South Dakota.....	EM. SIR CLAYTON F. FISHER
Tennessee.....	EM. SIR CHESTER G. PARSONS
Utah.....	EM. SIR JOHN J. MICK
Vermont.....	R. E. SIR ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY
Virginia.....	EM. SIR CLARENCE R. DAVIS
West Virginia.....	R. E. SIR HARRIE M. TAFT
Wyoming.....	R. E. SIR KENNETH H. EARLE

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, it is indeed a great pleasure and privilege to greet you as Representatives of the respective Grand Commanderies and to see what a wonderful turnout is here. I think without a question this is the largest attendance we have had in some time. Will you please convey to your respective Grand Jurisdictions the compliments of this Grand Commandery and our sincere and best wishes. Again thank you for being here. It is indeed wonderful to welcome you.

REPORT OF THE GRAND COMMANDER

Boston, Mass., October 1, 1960

To the Members of Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Sir Knights:

It is a pleasure for me to welcome you to this, the 157th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, the oldest Grand Commandery in existence.

To our distinguished guests from this and other Grand Jurisdictions, to the representatives of the York and Scottish Rites, to our Most Worshipful Grand Master, we extend Greetings and do hope that your stay in our midst will be most pleasant and enjoyable.

This Grand Commandery has always recognized the great mutual advantages of hearty cooperation with all branches of Masonry; the interchange of visits by the Officers of this and other Grand Jurisdictions. This co-operation broadens our vision and the scope of our endeavors in the cause of Templary.

Many of the representatives of our Constituent Commanderies are here for the first time, and we bid you a warm welcome and want you to participate in the deliberations of this Grand Body, for each of you is a part of the Grand Commandery, and should feel free to take an active part in the business that may come before us. You, Sir Knights, are the Grand Commandery.

As we assemble for the business of the Grand Commandery, let us stress the slogan of a "Revitalized and Greater Templary" and ask for the guidance of that Supreme Grand Commander of us all and offer grateful thanks to the Great Captain of our Salvation for the care and protection given to us during the past year. Let us trust that He will continue to guide us in our serious deliberations here today.

The time has come for me to submit to you an accounting of my stewardship. One year ago you elevated me to the high office of Grand Commander of this Grand Commandery—the highest office you can bestow upon a member. I accepted that office with fear and trembling in my heart, wondering if I could live up to your expectations, to lead this "Great Christian Order" in the manner in which you would have it led, and wondering if I would be equal to the task imposed upon me as Grand Commander. But I was taught many years ago to put my trust in God and to appeal to Him for strength and guidance. By His

grace I have performed those duties to the best of my ability.

Whether this authority has been wisely and satisfactorily used, you must now judge as I report to you the record of my stewardship for the past year.

The ravages of time have taken their usual toll from the ranks of Templary, and many distinguished Templars and Sir Knights have sheathed their swords and have been admitted into the Grand Asylum above.

I regret to report the passing of Sir Knight Adelbert Eugene Place; knighted June 9th, 1914; Eminent Commander Calvary Commandery No. 13, 1923 to 1924; Right Eminent Grand Commander, 1937 to 1938; died April 29, 1960.

I also desire to pay tribute to two Sir Knights who passed away while serving in office:

Hurlbut Lacount Plummer, Eminent Commander of Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 20, 1935 to 1936; appointed Auditor of this Grand Commandery August 14, 1946; died January 27, 1960.

Leon Lincoln Allen, Eminent Commander of De Molay Commandery No. 7, 1924 to 1925; served as Grand Warder 1928 to 1929; appointed Chairman of the Finance Committee in 1947; died February 4, 1960.

"I cannot think of them as dead who walk with me no more along the path of life I tread; They have but gone before."

At this time, we will suspend, and the Committee on Necrology will pay further tribute to the departed Sir Knights.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY

Boston, Mass., October 1, 1960

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander and Members of This Grand Commandery K. T.:

Sir Knights:

Your Committee on Necrology presents its Annual Report for the year ending October 10, 1959 to October 1, 1960:

Recorded is the departure of 405 Sir Knights, 25 Past Commanders, and 1 Past Grand Commander, Sir Knight Adelbert E. Place of this Grand Commandery. Recorded also is the departure of 47 Past Grand Commanders of other Grand Commanderies.

We mourn the departure of our brother Knights, who were our brethren of late on the Pilgrim's Road and have gone now ahead of us.

While they were our brethren in arms, devoted to God whose children they were, and to the Right, their supreme vocation, they fought the good fight and kept the faith of loyalty, proven by their sacrifice.

In the tradition of the Knights of old, they made solemn profession of their vows and complied with the penitential confession of their Rule and Order.

Following in the train of revered servants of God and leaders of the Order, they participated in the Holy Communion of sacred memory. Finally they took into their hands the sacred Chalice of Blessing and sealed their faith.

By this sacred action, they bore testimony to their belief in the mortality of the body and the immortality of the soul. Death to them is revealed as the Evening Star and points the way to the bright star of the Everlasting Morning. Before them is the Green Gate, portal to the life of the world to come.

In fond remembrance of these, our fraters, we cross our arms in the sign of the Good Shepherd. Cherishing their memory in our hearts, we commit their bodies to their Mother Earth and commend their souls to God in whose image He created them.

God rest their souls in peace as they await the dawn of the Everlasting Morning. May the Light Perpetual shine upon their path on their onward march to Perfection.

With the loved ones of these Sir Knights, whose names are recorded herewith and made a part of this Memorial, we share the comfort of our Templar Faith and hope. We do this in remembrance of them, our departed Fraters, and our Blessed Emanuel. In company with our brother Knights and the loved ones bereaved, we look forward to the time of the final reunion of all souls, when all may participate in the Eternal Eucharist in the Kingdom of God.

With all the faithful in the universal fellowship of Faith, Hope, and Charity we bless ourselves with the victory Sign of the Cross.

Courteously submitted,

E. AND REV. FRANK B. CRANDALL, *Chairman*
E. AND REV. W. IRVING MONROE
E. AND SIR KT. RALPH E. NOBLE

DECEASED MEMBERS OF THIS GRAND COMMANDERY OF
KNIGHTS TEMPLARS AND THE APPENDANT ORDERS OF
MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

Commandery	Past Commanders	Date of Death
Newburyport No. 3	Raymond M. Crombie	Sept. 8, 1959
	Joseph W. McLane	May 15, 1960
Worcester County No. 5	Eignar Ringchrist	Sept. 1, 1959
	John J. Wilson	Jan. 12, 1959

Springfield No. 6	Ralph Norman Fowler	Sept. 12, 1959
	Louis Waterman Hammond	Nov. 11, 1959
	Ralph Laveter Munn	Dec. 1, 1959
De Molay No. 7	Leon L. Allen	Feb. 4, 1960
Palestine No. 10	Jesse L. Spreadbury	Mar. 23, 1960
Calvary No. 13	Adelbert E. Place	April 29, 1960
Old Colony No. 15	William Tribou	Mar. 11, 1960
Hugh de Payens No. 20	Hurlbut L. Plummer	Jan. 26, 1960
Woonsocket No. 24	Frederick W. Rounds	May 1, 1960
Bristol No. 29	Harry B. Lewis	Feb. 21, 1960
Trinity No. 32	Clarence W. Wentworth	Nov. 11, 1959
Natick No. 33	G. Garfield Shipp	Dec. 4, 1959
Coeur de Lion No. 34	Carl L. Watson	Sept. 27, 1959
Olivet No. 36	John Marshall Nelson	Sept. 17, 1959
	Harry Elmer Stilphen	Sept. 6, 1959
Cyprus No. 39	Arthur Folger Brown	Oct. 1, 1959
St. Paul No. 40	Harry Brierly	Feb. 16, 1960
Beauseant No. 41	Frederic Lincoln Putnam	Jan. 4, 1960
Bethlehem No. 43	David Ralph Lynch	Jan. 24, 1960
Orange No. 45	Ralph Benjamin Leavitt	June 18, 1960
St. Andrew No. 49	George H. Sinclair	Aug. 5, 1959

DECEASED PAST GRAND COMMANDERS FROM OTHER
GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Alabama	R. E. SIR JAMES COLLIER FOSTER	Nov. 13, 1959
	R. E. SIR CHARLES HENRY STUBINGER	June 25, 1960
Arkansas	R. E. SIR C. A. CUNNINGHAM	June 23, 1960
	R. E. SIR OCE E. NICHOLS	Nov. 7, 1959
	R. E. SIR JOHN WILLIAM VAILE	Oct. 18, 1959
Arizona	R. E. SIR FRANK GOODWIN BROWN	Nov. 25, 1959
	R. E. SIR HENRY PICKENS JOHNSON	Oct. 6, 1959
California	R. E. SIR CHARLES JAMES LUTTRELL	Jan. 20, 1960
Colorado	R. E. SIR KARL GRAHAM BROWN	June 9, 1960
	R. E. SIR WILLIAM HENRY ELLIS	Feb. 20, 1960
	R. E. SIR JAMES ROBERT HOFFMAN	Mar. 12, 1960
	R. E. SIR HARRY DONALD MACDONALD	Feb. 21, 1960
Connecticut	R. E. SIR LESLIE WEBBER GORHAM	Feb. 17, 1960
	R. E. SIR JOHN HOYT HINTON	Oct. 1, 1959
Dist. of Columbia	R. E. SIR JOSEPH HERCUS MILANS	July 12, 1960
	R. E. SIR ROY ALFRED PLYMPTON	April 13, 1960
Idaho	R. E. SIR JOHN A. JOHNSON	April 11, 1960
	R. E. SIR EDWARD WAYNE THORESON	July 15, 1960
Illinois	R. E. SIR DAVID W. ISENHOUR	April 26, 1960
	R. E. SIR RUSSELL HARRY SHERWOOD	Mar. 27, 1960
Indiana	R. E. SIR C. WILBUR FOSTER	Feb. 5, 1960
	R. E. SIR HARRY C. MOORE	Oct. 15, 1960
	R. E. SIR WILLIAM W. SUCKOW	Jan. 12, 1960
Iowa	R. E. SIR CARL WEBSTER REED	Dec. 15, 1959
Kansas	R. E. SIR WALTER H. SCHRIMPF	Jan. 21, 1960
Kentucky	R. E. SIR FREDERICK EDWARD PHILLIPS	Feb. 7, 1960
Louisiana	R. E. SIR RICHARD DOWNES, JR.	Oct. 31, 1959
	R. E. SIR CHARLES FRANCIS RATCLIFF	Sept. 10, 1959
Maine	R. E. SIR JOSEPH WILSON LEAVITT	Feb. 18, 1960
Maryland	R. E. SIR EDWARD RHODE	Sept. 5, 1959
Michigan	R. E. SIR EDWIN A. MACKAY	Oct. 24, 1959
	R. E. SIR JOHN HENRY RADMAKER	Feb. 10, 1960
Mississippi	R. E. SIR CHARLES REESE HARRIS	June 4, 1960
	R. E. SIR JOHN EBEN SEAVEY	Dec. 14, 1959
Nebraska	R. E. SIR EDWARD E. CARR	Sept. 16, 1959
New Mexico	R. E. SIR DANIEL BOONE JETT	Jan. 10, 1960

New Hampshire	R. E. SIR CHARLES WESLEY LYONS	Dec. 16, 1959
North Dakota	R. E. SIR FREDERICK JOSEPH CUMMENS	Dec. 8, 1959
Ohio	R. E. SIR EARL C. KRUEGER	June 21, 1960
Oklahoma	R. E. SIR WALTER MOORE RAINEY	Mar. 29, 1960
Oregon	R. E. SIR EDGAR EMMETT MAGEE	Nov. 25, 1959
South Dakota	R. E. SIR HAROLD FREDERICK WILSON	Oct. 10, 1959
Tennessee	R. E. SIR CLYDE HUBERT WILSON	Nov. 3, 1959
Texas	R. E. SIR JAMES CARLISLE GARLITZ	May 28, 1960
West Virginia	R. E. SIR EDWIN VANDERVORT KING	July 21, 1960
Wisconsin	R. E. SIR ARTHUR JOHN GOETZ	Oct. 18, 1959
	R. E. SIR OTTO CARL KAPKE	Aug. 13, 1960
Wyoming	R. E. SIR HERBERT J. KING	Mar. 30, 1960

DECEASED GRAND ENCAMPMENT OFFICER

Indiana	R. E. SIR GEORGE MAXWELL FOWLER	June 2, 1960
	<i>Grand Encampment Department</i>	
	<i>Commander of Subordinate</i>	
	<i>Commanderies of the U. S. A.</i>	

VISITATIONS

Mrs. Holley and I attended the Annual Grand Conclaves of the Grand Commanderies of New York, Connecticut, Maine and Vermont. I attended 39 Inspections and about 80 other functions in addition to those mentioned.

INSPECTIONS

At my Officers' meeting, my Division Commanders were instructed that no Commandery was required to do the Full Order of the Temple on the night of Inspection.

I am pleased to report that all Commanderies held their Inspections with the exception of one—St. Paul No. 40—due to the fact that a fire destroyed their Temple.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation and thanks to each of the Division Commanders for his splendid cooperation during the year.

GRAND COMMANDER'S BALL

Under the auspices of the Presiding Council's Club, the Grand Commander's Ball was again held at the Hotel Statler on April 2nd, with approximately 750 Sir Knights and their Ladies and guests attending.

Following the reception of your Grand Commander, under escort of Past Commanders of DeMolay Commandery, and the presentation of the Colors and Banners of 28 Commanderies, over 300 Knights passed in review. Three Drill Teams—Boston No. 2, Holy Sepulchre No. 8, and Reading No. 50, competed for the Harry G. Pollard Cup, which was won for the third time by Holy Sepulchre No. 8.

Entertainment, followed by a Grand March and dancing, completed the program of a wonderful evening enjoyed by all. My sincere thanks to the Presiding Councils Club and their Officers for a wonderful job well done.

ASSISTANT INSPECTION INSTRUCTORS

We again this year had a corps of Assistant Inspector Instructors under the direction of our Inspector Instructor, Em. Sir Thomas C. Brown, for the purpose of assisting and coaching the Commanderies with their work.

Much credit is due them for the work and the time which they spent—for which they received no compensation whatever—not even mileage. I would like to express to them my thanks and sincere appreciation for all they did for Templary and the proficiency of the Commanderies.

EXEMPLIFICATION TEAM

Very successful exemplifications were held in Pawtucket, Greenfield, Reading and Natick, so that each Commandery in the jurisdiction had an opportunity to attend at least one.

The Team, as you know, is made up of all Past Commanders from 14 different Commanderies, under the direction of our Inspector Instructor. They deserve a great deal of credit for the work they have done. To each of them my sincere thanks for a very efficient rendition of the Ritual.

RECEPTION

On Saturday, November 28th, my own Commandery, DeMolay No. 7, Sir Kt. Malcolm B. Reed, Commander, tendered a reception in my honor at the Dorothy Quincy Suite in the John Hancock Building in Boston, which was attended by approximately 300 Sir Knights and their Ladies. It was an evening I shall remember as long as I live.

I am grateful indeed to the Past Commanders, Officers and Sir Knights of DeMolay Commandery, to whom I am so deeply indebted; to the Past Grand Commanders, the Grand Commandery Officers, Commanders, Sir Knights and their Ladies of this Grand Jurisdiction, and to our Grand Master and the heads of the Collateral Bodies who also honored me through their attendance and whose presence added so much to the occasion.

THE TEMPLAR

We have tried to keep all informed as to what was going on in Commandery Circles through the official publication of "The Templar" during the active months of the year, augmented by a statistical sheet by Eminent Sir J. Leroy Jones, Director of Progress and Publicity, who gave the standings and progress of each Commandery in its efforts to meet its membership quota.

Although increased costs of printing and mailing are important factors in the publishing of the Templar, we must ever bear in mind that we are a Fraternal Organization; important news and historical items always are or should be of interest to our Sir Knights. While it is primarily intended for the Commanders, Recorders, Grand Officers and Committeemen of our Constituent Commanderies, we receive many favorable comments from Grand Encampment and other Jurisdictions.

I hope its publication has been of enough value that The Templar will be continued as it has been our official publication since 1947.

MEMBERSHIP

This is the 16th consecutive year that we have shown a net gain. Our net gain this year was the smallest for many years, amounting to only 20 members. Our total membership as of June 30, 1960, was 15,059. I feel that you are entitled to know why we show such a small net gain. The seven Rhode Island Commanderies show a total net loss for the year of 67, while the 43 Massachusetts Commanderies show a net gain of 87. Deduct the loss of 67 shown by Rhode Island from the Massachusetts gain of 87, leaves us a net gain for the year of only 20.

The total number of Petitions received from September 1, 1959 to July 1, 1960 was 769—or 231 short of our quota. 124 Petitioners did not complete their Orders for reasons unknown. My suggestion to eliminate a recurrence of this condition which has been in existence for several years, would be to adopt methods to set up our quotas system on Knightings rather than on Petitions received.

Although our failure to obtain the full Grand Commandery Quota is disappointing, we can be encouraged by the fact that we knighted 678—affiliated 31—and reinstated 15. Our losses were heavy in the Demit and Suspension columns, which amounted to a total of Demits 149, Suspensions and Losses amounted to another 122, or a Grand Total of 271. Our reports show that the majority of the Demits and Suspensions were members less than ten years. Sir Knight Louis H. Weiber, Most Eminent Grand Master, is very much concerned over the number of Demits and Suspensions in the Grand Encampment reports, reaching Grand Encampment Office. "And I think you will agree with me that when we have a man invest his money to take the orders of Masonry, and then when we invest our time in that man, we should try to avoid losing our investment of time and his investment of money by having him drop out. After all, he should be worth more to us than another man that we go out and get in his place.

"I would like to urge you to think more about getting out and looking for our younger men for our great Order of the Temple. Did you ever stop to think that most of the great movements of this world have all been put across by younger men who were willing to take chances? Though we must have the wisdom of age, let us remember that great teacher we refer to so much in our Order passed away when he was only 33 or thereabouts. Let us take advantage of youth as it is being taken advantage of in other parts of the world.

"Let us go forward in the true Templar spirit—humble before God and man, charitable to all and devoted in our service to God, our Country and our Christian Orders."

FINANCES

Section 5 of Article VIII of our Constitution requires that "A Grand Commander keep his expenditures within the Budget submitted by the Finance Committee and adopted by this Grand Commandery."

Although the income anticipated from the knightings did not reach the figure in the Estimated Budget for the year, I am happy to report that we operated in the black. In no instance did we go in the red on any budget item. We complete the year with a total surplus of \$1,002.16, with an inventory in our office supplies, etc., amounting to \$536.02—the highest in many years.

As 1961 is the Triennial Year of the Grand Encampment, this will call for additional expenses. I therefore recommend that \$1,000.00 of this unexpended balance be transferred to the 1961 Triennial Fund.

SEMI-ANNUAL CONCLAVE

According to our Constitution, we must hold a Semi-Annual Conclave. "Substantial conflict exists between the pre-existing By-Laws of the unincorporated Grand Commandery and the By-Laws proposed at the Semi-Annual Conclave in 1959 to be acted upon at the Annual Conclave in October 1959 and postponed to October 1, 1960, and Article IV of the By-Laws of the Grand Commandery and the By-Laws of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar, Inc.

In order to comply with the existing Article IV, Section 1, of the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Commandery, and to carry out the provisions of the report of the Jurisprudence Committee, a SPECIAL Conclave to commemorate the founding of this Grand Commandery by Thomas Smith Webb on May 6, 1805 was held on Saturday, May 7, 1960, at Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Our sincere thanks to Commander Fred Pearson, Jr., and to Holy Sep-

ulchre Commandery No. 8, for allowing us to hold the Conclave at their Temple.

CITATIONS OR CERTIFICATES OF MERIT

Citations were started by R. E. Sir George A. Weeks, Grand Commander in 1948. These Citations are given to Commanders and Commanderies "in recognition and appreciation of outstanding achievements" which stand as a mark of distinction in Promotional Activities during the year.

I take pleasure, at this time, in making presentations to the following Commanders:

GOLD SEALS

Boston Commandery No. 2 K. T.—GEORGE LOCUS, Eminent Commander—For receiving the greatest number of Petitions—56.
Pilgrim Commandery No. 9 K. T.—JOHN HARVEY, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 253% of their quota.
Cyprus Commandery No. 39 K. T.—FRANK M. GRAY, Eminent Commander—For obtaining their quota for 7 successive years.

RED SEALS

Trinity Commandery No. 32 K. T.—DONALD M. SLEEPER, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 208% of their Quota.
Bethlehem Commandery No. 43 K. T.—CARL MOORES, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 191% of their Quota.
Natick Commandery No. 33 K. T.—WILLIAM A. WEISS, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 189% of their Quota.
Berkshire Commandery No. 22 K. T.—HERBERT M. LASCH, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 178% of their Quota.
Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 25 K. T.—ALBERT W. CANEDY, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 163% of their Quota.
Orange Commandery No. 45 K. T.—RICHARD C. SPOFFORD, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 140% of their Quota.
Milford Commandery No. 11 K. T.—NOYES W. BRIDGHAM, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 136% of their Quota.
Bristol Commandery No. 29 K. T.—DONALD F. FREBERG, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 135% of their Quota.
Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8 K. T.—FRED PEARSON, JR., Eminent Commander—For obtaining 130% of their Quota.
Joseph Warren Commandery No. 26 K. T.—THOMAS KNUDSON, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 118% of their Quota.
Jerusalem Commandery No. 19 K. T.—NORMAN H. HOBBS, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 115% of their Quota.
Bethany Commandery No. 17 K. T.—WILLIAM J. MORTON, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 110% of their Quota.
Ivanhoe Commandery No. 46 K. T.—STANFORD H. HARTSHORN, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 106% of their Quota.
Newburyport Commandery No. 3 K. T.—EARL H. WARREN, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 105% of their Quota.
Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34 K. T.—ROY W. AUDUNSON, Eminent Commander—For obtaining 108% of their Quota.

"TEMPLAR NITE AT THE POPS"

On Tuesday evening, June 7, 1960, the "Annual Templar Nite at the Pops" which was again sponsored by the

Presiding Councils Club, was held in Symphony Hall, Boston and, as always, was a huge success.

I certainly hope that "Templar Nite at the Pops" will continue for many years to come.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

I gratefully acknowledge honorary memberships in: St. John's Commandery No. 1, Newburyport Commandery No. 3, Haverhill Commandery No. 14, Joseph Warren Commandery No. 26, Bristol Commandery No. 29, Natick Commandery No. 33 and Orange Commandery No. 45.

ORDER OF MERIT

The "Order of Merit" was established by R. E. Sir William S. Hamilton during his year as Grand Commander. It is presented to a Sir Knight who has rendered distinguished service and distinction upon the Order. To date there have been but 23 recipients of the jewels.

To my mind, there are two Sir Knights who deserve this honor—one Sir Knight who has given unstintingly of his time and service to Templary for lo, these many years. He has served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Presiding Councils Club. In that capacity he has been the guiding hand in promoting entertaining meetings and outside affairs for the interest and advancement of Templary. He has served this Grand Commandery faithfully for a number of years in so many ways. It is therefore with deep appreciation for his services to Templary that I present to Em. Sir Harold L. Burr the medal of the Order of Merit.

The second to be so honored, Sir Knights, is one who has served this Grand Commandery and Templary for many long years. In his capacity he has gone far beyond the call of duty in his aid, assistance, his health, in the cause of Templary and this Grand Jurisdiction. He is one that I am indebted to very, very much for the aid, the assistance and help, that he has given me as Grand Commander. He is a gracious Templar, an able administrator, and it is with a great deal of personal pleasure and pride that I present to R. E. Sir George A. Weeks, the Badge of the Order of Merit.

JOINT CONCLAVES

Very successful Joint Conclaves were held at Boston and Haverhill, at which time the Orders of Red Cross and Malta were exemplified in full form and costume for classes of candidates numbering 70 and 30 respectively. These Conclaves were well attended, and I am sure that all will agree with me that Conclaves of this type do a great deal to build Templary, and it is my hope that more of these

will be encouraged by the Grand Commandery in the future.

Our sincere thanks and appreciation to: Boston Commandery No. 2, DeMolay Commandery No. 7, and Haverhill Commandery No. 14, for providing their full form teams to put on these Orders at these Conclaves.

ALL-MASONIC NIGHT

On June 11th, Aleppo Temple of the Shrine again sponsored another outstanding ALL-MASONIC Night at the Boston Garden, to which they again extended invitations to your Grand Commander, Grand Commandery Officers, Officers, and Sir Knights of our Constituent Commanderies to be their guests.

I would like at this time to express my thanks to my Grand Commandery Officers, and to the Officers and Sir Knights of 37 Commanderies who accepted my invitation to act as my escort at this outstanding event. These 37 Commanderies with their Colors and Banners and 750 uniformed Sir Knights, made a colorful and impressive display of Templary before an audience of more than 16,000. This was indeed an event to make each of us proud to be a Knight Templar.

To Right Eminent Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., our heartiest congratulations for an outstanding job superbly done.

YORK RITE NIGHTS

York Rite Nites were held this year in Cambridge, Natick, Framingham, Norwood, Haverhill, Northampton, Fitchburg, Boston, and Cranston. At each of these, the Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter and the Grand Master of the Grand Council were present. The Grand Commander was represented by R. E. Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., who for many years has so ably represented the Grand Commander as only he can do it. No one could ask for better cooperation than that which we have received from the Grand Chapter and the Grand Council, also the Scottish Rite Bodies have been most cooperative.

These York Rite Nites have proved very successful for obtaining candidates for the York Rite Bodies, provided the Officers follow through and go after their petition after these outstanding speakers have opened the door for you. I would urge each Commandery, if at all possible, to plan and hold a York Rite Nite in its own Commandery. York Rite Nites are the means of informing the uninitiated what Templary stands for. We must let our light so shine before men that they may see our good works and glorify our Father who are in Heaven. As a militant force, we have

dedicated ourselves to the weighty vows of Christian Knighthood, and the Order of Templary. Through our inactivity, we dare not chance the indictment that Christianity is a failure, because each of us in the living of our daily lives failed to honor the trust of the practice of Christian virtues.

Let us continue to work then toward the advent of that glorious day, when swords shall be beaten into plowshares and spears into pruning hooks, when the Reign of the Blessed Emanuel, the Prince of Peace, the Great Captain of our salvation, shall become universal and eternal.

TACTICS

At the Annual Conclave held in Boston on Saturday, October 12, 1957, the Grand Recorder reported on the question of Tactics (see Page 89 of the Proceedings of 1957), and made the following motion: "I move you, Sir, that the question be referred to the Tactics Committee for action immediately." (Motion seconded and was unanimously voted.) The Grand Commander declared: "The motion is carried."

There was a meeting of the Tactics Committee held in 1958, but no action was taken in regard to having new Tactics printed (except requesting the Grand Recorder to get quotations).

On June 29, 1960, a meeting was called to consider minor changes in the Tactics. (See my Official Order No. 2, Series 1959-1960, mailed August 1, 1960.)

After reviewing the quotations for the printing of a new Tactics book and the consideration of the type of book, etc., it was voted to award the job to the Mitchell Fleming Printing Co. (the Grand Encampment printer in Greenfield, Indiana). I am pleased to report that the book is in the process of composition at the present time and we expect to receive the galley proofs soon.

It was further voted, that no new changes shall be made in the Tactics for a period of three years. When new Tactics books are available, you will be notified immediately.

COMMANDERY RESPONSIBILITIES

Sir Knights, when a charter is issued to a Commandery it is done so in faith and with the understanding that the petitioning group has full knowledge of all of the responsibilities imposed upon them as representatives of our Order, acting under the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery and the Constitution and Statutes of Grand Encampment. These responsibilities are many fold and even though a Commandery has been in existence for many years they are just as sacred and binding on the officers

and members of today as they were when imposed upon and accepted by the founding fathers of that Commandery. Unfortunately, and to the discredit of the efforts of the majority, there are some Commanderies in Massachusetts and Rhode Island whose officers, either through their ignorance or lack of understanding of the fundamental requirements of a Commandery of Knights Templar, be it wilful or otherwise, refuse to accept some of these responsibilities. I refer particularly to the basic responsibility and requirement of being able to confer all of the Orders in their own Asylum by their own officers or members.

I regret to report that we have a few Commanderies which have fallen into the practice and habit of joining with a neighboring Commandery in the conferring of certain Orders or depending on that Commandery to do their work for them to the extent that they never confer that particular Order in their own Asylum.

Question them as to the propriety of permitting such practices to continue and the responses vary from an open defiance of our Regulations to a frank and honest admission that they do not possess either the manpower or willingness on the part of their officers to do otherwise.

Suggest to them the matter of consolidation with their neighboring Commandery as a means of bolstering our strength in the area in general, and a wave of indignation is raised in defense of their claim to individual existence and representation.

I submit to you, Sir Knights, where we have Commanderies which have proven conclusively to be unable to stand on their own feet in meeting basic requirements or which steadfastly refuse to marshal their endeavors to do so, it is time that serious consideration be given to the matter of the continuance of their respective charters.

RECOMMENDATIONS

I recommend that a study be made of the matter of consolidation of some of our smaller and dormant Commanderies. Especially where they are short distances from a larger and more active Commandery. In this day and time, when you can travel 50 or 60 miles an hour over our super highways, it is no problem to get from one city to another in a very short time.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I am indeed grateful to the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Laurence E. Eaton, the presiding heads of the York Rite Bodies, the Scottish Rite Bodies, and The Shrine, for their hospitality and the many courtesies shown me during my term of office.

I regret conflicting dates made it impossible for me to accept many invitations both within and outside this Jurisdiction.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

To my Grand Warder, E. Sir John J. Mick, who through the years, both in DeMolay Commandery and through the Grand Commandery line, has been a true and faithful friend, I extend my humble thanks and appreciation for his cooperation and devotion.

I am grateful to our Past Grand Commanders for their wise council, and to our Grand Line Officers for their splendid cooperation and assistance.

My grateful thanks to R. E. Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., to E. Sir James C. Bayley, and E. Sir J. Leroy Jones, for their outstanding work on York Rite promotion and membership.

I would also like to express my appreciation to R. E. Sir A. Kenneth Martin, Grand Treasurer, and Miss Dorothy M. Fowler, the Grand Recorder's Secretary, for their wonderful assistance.

In commending our Grand Recorder, E. Sir George A. Weeks, for his faithful and unselfish devotion to the interests of this Grand Commandery, I owe him more in gratitude and appreciation than I can possibly express in words. His council and advice were invaluable, and it was never too late or too early, night or day, for him to have an answer or solution to my questions or problems. He is, without question, "the best Grand Recorder and devoted Templar this side of anywhere."

I would be remiss if I did not express appreciation to all the Officers and Sir Knights of this Grand Jurisdiction whose cooperation, loyalty, and confidence have made this year possible.

THOMAS SMITH WEBB MEDALS

During 1959-1960, twenty-seven Commanderies presented 207 Thomas Smith Webb Medals to "40-year Veterans."

St. John's Commandery No. 1	40
Boston Commandery No. 2	2
De Molay Commandery No. 7	2
Milford Commandery No. 11	6
Haverhill Commandery No. 14	10
Old Colony Commandery No. 15	3
Sutton Commandery No. 16	6
Winslow Lewis Commandery No. 18	5
Jerusalem Commandery No. 19	10
St. Omer Commandery No. 21	12
Godfrey de Bouillon No. 25	12

Bristol Commandery No. 29	31
Northampton Commandery No. 30	3
Trinity Commandery No. 32	4
Natick Commandery No. 33	4
Gethsemane Commandery No. 35	4
Olivet Commandery No. 36	9
Bay State Commandery No. 38	7
Cyprus Commander No. 39	4
St. Paul Commandery No. 40	7
Beauseant Commandery No. 41	6
Orange Commandery No. 45	2
Ivanhoe Commandery No. 46	6
Quincy Commandery No. 47	4
St. Andrew Commandery No. 49	3
Reading Commandery No. 50	1
Sir Galahad Commandery No. 52	4
Total	207

FIFTY YEAR BARS

During 1959-1960, fourteen Commanderies presented forty-two "Fifty Year Bars":—

Boston Commandery No. 2	1
De Molay Commandery No. 7	1
Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8	1
Jerusalem Commandery No. 19	4
St. Omer Commandery No. 21	4
Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 25....	4
Bristol Commandery No. 29	13
Trinity Commandery No. 32	1
Natick Commandery No. 33	1
Bay State Commandery No. 38	4
Cyprus Commandery No. 39	1
Beauseant Commandery No. 41	1
Ivanhoe Commandery No. 46	5
Sir Galahad Commandery No. 52	1
Total	42

DISPENSATION TO RECEIVE AND BALLOT ON SAME AT THE STATED CONCLAVE OR SPECIAL CONCLAVE

In accordance with the specific powers granted to the Grand Commander by ARTICLE VIII, Section 2, of the Constitution and Regulations of this Grand Commandery to permit Constituent Commanderies to receive petitions and ballot thereon at the same or Special Conclaves after such notice as he may deem proper, I granted dispensations to RECEIVE AND BALLOT during 1959-1960, upon petitions at the same and Special Conclaves as follows:—

Number of Petitions

1 August 28, 1959	Springfield Commandery No. 6
1 August 31, 1959	Boston Commandery No. 2
2 September 16, 1959	Boston Commandery No. 2
1 September 22, 1959	St. John's Commandery No. 1
3 October 16, 1959	Thomas Smith Webb Commandery No. 51
3 October 16, 1959	Springfield Commandery No. 6
3 October 21, 1959	Boston Commandery No. 2
3 October 23, 1959	De Molay Commandery No. 7
1 October 27, 1959	Gethsemane Commandery No. 35
3 November 5, 1959	Holy Sepulchre No. 8
2 November 12, 1959	Natick Commandery No. 33
5 November 16, 1959	Holy Sepulchre No. 8
2 November 18, 1959	Boston Commandery No. 2
2 November 23, 1959	Gethsemane Commandery No. 35
1 December 7, 1959	Palestine Commandery No. 10
5 December 16, 1959	Boston Commandery No. 2
2 December 21, 1959	Springfield Commandery No. 6
4 December 21, 1959	Newburyport Commandery No. 3
9 January 8, 1960	De Molay Commandery No. 7
5 January 6, 1960	Palestine Commandery No. 10
12 January 8, 1960	Boston Commandery No. 2
3 January 14, 1960	Natick Commandery No. 33
1 February 10, 1960	Quincy Commandery No. 47
1 February 11, 1960	Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 25
8 February 16, 1960	Boston Commandery No. 2
3 February 19, 1960	Gethsemane Commandery No. 35
3 February 23, 1960	Sutton Commandery No. 16
12 February 23, 1960	Berkshire Commandery No. 22
2 February 23, 1960	Newburyport Commandery No. 3
1 March 3, 1960	Bristol Commandery No. 29
7 March 7, 1960	Bristol Commandery No. 29
1 March 15, 1960	St. Omer Commandery No. 21
1 March 16, 1960	Newburyport Commandery No. 3
7 March 16, 1960	Boston Commandery No. 2
1 March 18, 1960	Gethsemane Commandery No. 35
1 April 4, 1960	Natick Commandery No. 33
1 April 11, 1960	Winslow Lewis Commandery No. 18
4 April 20, 1960	Boston Commandery No. 2
3 April 20, 1960	De Molay Commandery No. 7
5 April 20, 1960	Pilgrim Commandery No. 9
1 April 21, 1960	Berkshire Commandery No. 22
5 April 22, 1960	Haverhill Commandery No. 14
1 April 27, 1960	Reading Commandery No. 50
1 April 28, 1960	Cyprus Commandery No. 39
1 May 2, 1960	Olivet Commandery No. 36
4 May 11, 1960	Sutton Commandery No. 16
1 May 16, 1960	Natick Commandery No. 33
1 May 16, 1960	Milford Commandery No. 11
3 May 18, 1960	Boston Commandery No. 2
2 May 25, 1960	De Molay Commandery No. 7
1 June 3, 1960	Reading Commandery No. 50
1 June 8, 1960	Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 34
2 June 13, 1960	Boston Commandery No. 2
4 June 16, 1960	Boston Commandery No. 2
1 June 21, 1960	De Molay Commandery No. 7
164 Total	

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED FOR OTHER PURPOSES

- August 26, 1959—Grand Commandery Officers to visit Wilder Lodge in Leominster on September 15, 1959 to assist in the work of raising Brother Donald Booth.
- September 2, 1959—Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8, Pawtucket, Rhode Island, to have their Drill Team put on an exhibition drill in E. L. Freeman Lodge No. 41.
- September 2, 1959—Old Colony Commandery No. 15, Abington, Massachusetts to hold their Stated Conclave in the Masonic Temple, Hanson, Massachusetts.
- September 3, 1959—Trinity Commandery No. 32, Hudson, Mass., to hold a Special Election of Officers.
- September 15, 1959—Bristol Commandery No. 29, Attleboro, Mass., to hold a Special Election for the office of Senior Warden and such other officers as necessary.
- October 1, 1959—Reading Commandery No. 50, Reading, Mass., to hold a Special Election and installation of the Treasurer, Senior Warden and Sword Bearer.
- December 18, 1959—Coeur De Lion Commandery No. 34, Medford, Massachusetts to work the Royal Arch Degree in Signet Royal Arch Chapter, Charlestown.
- December 21, 1959—Narragansett Commandery No. 27, Westerly, Rhode Island, to hold their Stated Conclave in the Masonic Temple in Wakefield, Rhode Island, and confer the Orders of the Red Cross and Malta.
- December 21, 1959—St. Omer Commandery No. 21, Dorchester, Massachusetts to hold a Special Election for the office of Captain General.
- January 23, 1960—Reading Commandery No. 50, Reading, Mass., to hold a Special Election for the office of Senior Warden and such other officers as necessary.
- March 9, 1960—Reading Commandery No. 50, Reading, Mass., to hold a Special Installation of Officers.
- March 11, 1960—Presiding Councils' Club, Boston, Mass., for all Commanderies to appear in public on April 2, 1960, in the Statler Hilton Hotel for the Knights Templars' Ball.
- March 22, 1960—Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 20, Melrose, Massachusetts, to invade the Grand Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania and visit with Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 19, and participate in their Centennial Anniversary.
- March 23, 1960—Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8, Pawtucket, Rhode Island, to work the Order of the Red Cross in full form in Bay State Commandery No. 38, Brockton, Mass.
- March 24, 1960—Gethsemane Commandery No. 35, Newtonville, Massachusetts, to appear in the Masonic Temple, Framingham, Mass., and participate in the York Rite Night Activities in full uniform.
- March 24, 1960—Natick Commandery No. 33, Natick, Mass., to appear in the Masonic Temple, Framingham, Mass., and participate in the York Rite Night Activities in full uniform.
- April 11, 1960—Sutton Commandery No. 16, New Bedford, Massachusetts, to appear in public for the purpose of laying the cornerstone at the new Masonic Quarters in South Yarmouth, Mass.
- April 14, 1960—Connecticut Valley Commandery No. 23, Greenfield, Massachusetts, to confer the Mark Master Degree in Franklin Chapter, Greenfield.
- April 21, 1960—Berkshire Commandery No. 22, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, to hold a Special Conclave in Great Barrington, Mass., and confer the Order of the Temple.

- May 3, 1960—Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 20, Melrose, Massachusetts, to hold a Special Election for the Office of Trustee of the Permanent Fund.
- June 16, 1960—Orange Commandery No. 45, Orange, Mass., to appear in public and participate in a Parade celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the Town of Orange.
- June 21, 1960—Jerusalem Commandery No. 19, Fitchburg, Massachusetts, to appear in public to participate in (1) Fitchburg Civic Day, July 4th (2) Gardner's 175th Anniversary.
- June 22, 1960—Ivanhoe Commandery No. 46, Gardner, Massachusetts, to appear in public to participate in (1) Fitchburg's Civic Day (2) Gardner's 175th Anniversary.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NOMINATED

- November 1, 1959—Idaho, Em. Sir Howard L. Geer as the Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Idaho near this Grand Jurisdiction of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.
- November 1, 1959—Tennessee, Em. Sir Chester G. Parson, as the Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Tennessee near this Grand Jurisdiction of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.
- November 1, 1959—Vermont, R. E. Sir Elliott N. Holley, as the Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

I recommend that ANY representative who has failed to answer ROLL CALL for a period of three years be replaced.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED

- March 24, 1960—Minnesota, Sir Kt. Franklyn King as the Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island near the Grand Commandery K. T. of Minnesota.
- June 22, 1960—New Hampshire, Sir Kt. Arnold T. Clement as the Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island near the Grand Commandery K. T. of New Hampshire.
- August 8, 1960—Nebraska, Sir Kt. George I. Griffiths, Jr., as the Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island near the Grand Commandery K. T. of Nebraska.

RELEASE OF JURISDICTION GRANTED

- March 11, 1960—Connecticut Valley Commandery No. 23, granted a Release of Jurisdiction over Companion Raymond Charles Willis in favor of Beauseant Commandery No. 7 K. T., Brattleboro, Vermont.

RELEASE OF JURISDICTION RECEIVED

- March 25, 1960—DeWitt Clinton Commandery of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, granted a Release of Jurisdiction over Companion Ralph Colby Woodside in favor of Haverhill Commandery No. 14 K. T., Haverhill, Mass.

PERMISSION TO INVADE RECEIVED

- March 17, 1960—Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 20 K. T., Melrose, Mass., received permission to invade the Grand Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania and visit with Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 19, Easton, Pennsylvania, on June 11 and 12.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER

At the beginning of the past year, the most serious problem confronting the Grand Encampment and its officers was the loss of membership through demits and suspensions. While the majority of the Grand Commanderies have made a fine effort to comply with the suggestions contained in the Grand Master's message, published in the August-September 1959 issue of the "Knight Templar" magazine, and those efforts have reduced the loss of membership, unfortunately, the desired result has not been accomplished and too many Grand Commanderies are still showing losses by reason of suspensions, non-payment of dues or demits. I cannot help but feel sure, in the last analysis, we will all feel that the fault lies with the individual Sir Knights of the constituent commanderies, who have made no effort to correct the situation. It is alarming to learn that the loss of membership is accruing at a rate that should arouse the energy of each one of us to labor more diligently in the future than we have in the past several years. I feel sure that it will be very interesting for you to learn that: Arizona showed a net gain of 78; Oklahoma, a net gain of 13; South Carolina, a net gain of 292; Tennessee, a net gain of 99; Texas, a net gain of 673; Wyoming, a net gain of 38.

It is my belief that you join me in trusting that we shall be able to arouse more active interest in this great Christian Order that all of us admire, respect and love so much. Every Christian Master Mason should aspire to become a Knight Templar. With more personal and individual interest on the part of each one of us, I cannot help but feel that we will find many of our present Sir Knights who have not taken too active an interest in the past few years will again become active and join us in the determination to honor our beloved Most Eminent Grand Master by showing a larger increase in membership during his administration than we have seen for several years.

MASONRY FIGHTING FOR SURVIVAL

Masonry in all of its roots and branches is fighting for survival in many of the metropolitan areas of the United States. An America minus the fundamental principles of Masonry and the Christian church, the tenets which alone gave birth and substance to the national dream, would be unthinkable.

Although we are convened as a Knights Templar body, and the business of the Order is an important part of the agenda of the Conclave, we dare not be oblivious to certain evils which are of the world. Within our own land is a sor-

did underworld in many a city a dominating force in municipal government. It pays a high price for the chance to prey on human society. We may well be disturbed, even within the walls of this asylum. Grave challenges face our institutions, including the church, the schools and government and society generally.

The Most Eminent Grand Master has sounded the alarm for a nation-wide crusade. We shall go forward nobly—or we shall fall back in ignoble retreat. The determination is yours and mine to make.

CONCLUSION

Sir Knights, my year as Grand Commander draws to a close. As I relinquish this office to my successor, I do so with humble thanks and sincere appreciation for the honor and privilege of having served as your Grand Commander. The opportunity to have served has been a highly rewarding one. The many friendships and fraternal contacts that have been made within and outside this Jurisdiction have more than compensated for the time and effort that have been required of me as your Grand Commander. Truly it has been a year of rich experience and one that I shall always treasure.

To my successor in office I pledge my whole-hearted support and assistance, and wish for him the success which I know will be his to enjoy.

Courteously submitted,

ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY
Grand Commander

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS: R. E. Grand Commander, may I address a motion to the V. E. Deputy Grand Commander.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: You may, Sir.

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS: I move you, Sir, that the Report of the Grand Commander be accepted, his recommendations be adopted, and printed in the Proceedings.

R. E. SIR A. KENNETH MARTIN: Second the motion (voted unanimously).

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, at this time I would like to call on our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Most Worshipful and Em. Sir Laurence E. Eaton, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts.

M. W. LAURENCE E. EATON: Thank you, Sir Knights.

R. E. Grand Commander Holley, Representative of the M. E. Grand Master, E. Sir Knights, distinguished guests and Sir Knights. As Grand Master I want to thank you for this reception you have given to me today. It is a

great pleasure for me to come and be with you. I had the opportunity about three times before when I was acting as Grand Marshal for M. E. Whitfield W. Johnson.

It is very gratifying to the Grand Lodge to realize that there is such a fraternal feeling between the Masons of this State, between Grand Lodge and the York Rite. We get along fine and it is a situation I think that prevails practically over this whole country. I often meet Brethren from the South and we find that we think alike on most things. Only sometimes down there they talk about them more than we do up here.

To illustrate that point I will give you just two examples. I found in our proceedings of about a hundred years ago—I was looking up a matter and it was about the time of the Civil War getting underway—and there was a fraternal communication sent here from the Grand Lodge of Tennessee in which they pointed out and said that if the sword was going to be the final arbiter we should remember that a fallen foe who was a Mason would still receive their consideration and be treated as a Brother.

There was another incident. In visiting the Grand Lodge of Virginia they are very proud of their Masonry down there and their connection with historical events. Down in the old part of the city there is, I think it is, the oldest Masonic Temple in the United States that is still in operation and when the Union forces came into Richmond they were proud to tell me that the Colonel of Cavalry—I can't think of his name but I am sure he was a member of Putnam Lodge in Cambridge—came upon the Temple and set a guard around it to see it was not destroyed. It was not burned in the fire and Masons of both sides held a meeting there that evening. It is very gratifying that that fraternal feeling seems to exist among the Masons all over the country.

Now I want to officially bring you the greetings and best wishes of the Masons of Massachusetts and their Grand Lodge and hope that your deliberations are crowned with success and you will go along and have a fine increase in membership for the year to come. Thank you.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you very much Most Worshipful Grand Master.

NOTE: During the Conclave the following guests were introduced, and each spoke briefly bringing the Greetings of their respective Bodies:

Sir Knight and Reverend Howard T. Joslyn, Department Commander of the Northeast Division of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America, and the personal representative of Sir Knight Louis H. Wieber, Grand

Master of the Grand Encampment U. S. A., who brought the greetings of the Grand Master.

During the course of his remarks he spoke of the Knights Templar Educational Foundation and the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and the Triennial Conclave to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, concluding his remarks with:

"We need to have the Churches and have serious concern getting back to some of the fundamentals. So there are groups now, increasing numbers of groups, seriously praying together and studying together to get what it is again that makes the Gospel of Jesus Christ radiant everywhere.

"I say this because Knight Templary is tremendously related to the Church Universal and you and I will succeed or fall pretty largely as the interest in all Christian things and the support of the Christian Churches rises or falls and I see around the corner a glorious future, and this isn't idle dreaming. There are people by the thousands now who are giving sacrificially of their time and money and devotion as they never did before because they have got a new vision about what it means to be a Christian and you and I are beginning to get a new vision of what it means to be a Templar and stand under the banner of the Captain of our Salvation, King of Kings and Lord of Lords."

Most Illustrious James C. Bayley, Grand Master of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of Massachusetts.

Most Excellent, Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts.

R. E. Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., personal representative of Illustrious Sir Francis R. Sagle, Potentate of Aleppo Temple A.A.O.N.M.S.

R. E. Sir Stanley P. Matthews, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T. of the State of New Jersey, who spoke for the presiding and Past Grand Commanders who were the guests of this Grand Commandery.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: We will now have the Report of the Grand Recorder.

REPORT OF THE GRAND RECORDER

Boston, Mass., October 1, 1960

To the Officers and Members of This Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Sir Knights:

Total Membership as of June 30, 1959 15,039

Gains	
Knighted	678
Affiliated	31
Renistated	15

<i>Losses</i>			
Demitted	149		
Suspended	110		
Errors	12		
Deaths	433	704	
<i>Net Gain</i>	20	20	
<i>Total Membership as of June 30, 1960</i>		15,059	
Massachusetts 12,907 gain of 87			
Rhode Island 2,152 loss of 67			
<i>Net Gain</i>	20		

Courteously submitted,

GEORGE A. WEEKS
GRAND RECORDER

EXHIBIT A

GRAND RECORDER'S CASH SUMMARY

GENERAL FUND

FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1960

Arrears Collected	\$ 206.07
Per Capita Dues	13,153.00
Candidates' Fees	3,075.00
Thomas Smith Webb Medals	712.25
Diplomas and Engrossing	923.76
Promotional Activities	55.00
Fifty Year Bars	47.30
1959 Conclave	2,615.32
Official Orders	201.88
Eye Foundation	14,445.00
Annual Conclave Dinners	442.10
Lost Rituals	87.80
Refund Thomas Smith Webb Medals	428.10
Joint Conclave Dinner	562.50
Master of Ceremonies Books	3.50
Loan—Educational Foundation	5,000.00
Dividends—Savings Banks	18.13
Grand Encampment Constitution	24.50
<i>Total Receipts for the Year</i>	<u>\$42,001.21</u>
<i>Paid to Grand Treasurer</i>	<u>\$42,001.21</u>

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to accept the Report of the Grand Recorder and print same in the Proceedings.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: We will hear the Grand Treasurer's Report.

EXHIBIT B

GRAND TREASURER'S CASH SUMMARY

GENERAL FUND

FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1960

September 1, 1959, Balance on Hand	\$16,076.40
Received from Grand Recorder	42,001.21
<i>Total</i>	<u>\$58,077.61</u>

Expenditures

Per Capita Tax	\$ 2,331.05
Conclaves	5,267.17
Printing and Postage	1,408.47
Telephone	189.28
Office Supplies	218.20
Thomas Smith Webb Medals	935.32
Grand Commanders Fund	500.00
Rent	2,125.00
Proceedings	1,190.25
Bonding and Insurance	242.44
Inspection	704.40
1961 Triennial	250.00
Salaries:	
Grand Recorder	\$2,262.00
Grand Treasurer	500.00
Secretary	2,028.00

	<u>\$4,790.00</u>	
Less S.S. and W.H. Taxes	586.50	4,203.50

Grand Encampment Constitution	18.00
Withholding Taxes	413.50
Social Security Taxes	260.73
Unemployment Taxes	49.98
Audit	200.00
Diplomas	561.42
Group Meetings	246.27
Eye Foundation	14,445.00
Promotional Activities	235.50
Repair G. C. Jewel	63.00
State Withholding Tax	30.34
Furniture and Fixtures	69.50
Exemplifications	301.00
Miscellaneous	595.32
Repayment Loan Educational Fund	5,000.00
Public Relations and Publicity	819.90

<i>Total</i>	<u>42,874.54</u>
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August 31, 1960, Balance on Hand	<u>\$15,203.07</u>
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Represented by:

Checking Acc't—First Nat'l Bank of Boston..	\$14,703.07
Savings Account—South Weymouth Savings Bank—Book No. 19542	500.00

<i>Total</i>	<u>\$15,203.07</u>
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EXHIBIT C

COMPARATIVE INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT

FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1960

INCOME:

	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Balance</i>
Per Capita Dues	\$15,059.00	\$15,039.00	\$ 20.00
Candidates' Fees	3,390.00	3,750.00	360.00
Miscellaneous Income	891.99	500.00	391.99
Total Income	<u>\$19,340.99</u>	<u>\$19,289.00</u>	<u>\$ 51.99</u>

EXPENSE:

Dues—Grand Encampment	\$ 2,331.05	\$ 2,331.00	\$.05
Conclaves	2,500.00	2,500.00	....
Proceedings	1,190.25	1,250.00	59.75
Printing and Postage	1,442.44	1,500.00	57.56
Rent	2,125.00	2,125.00	....
Inspections	704.40	750.00	45.60
Group Meetings	246.27	300.00	53.73
Bonding and Insurance	242.44	300.00	57.56
Salary—Grand Recorder	2,262.00	2,262.00	....
Salary—Grand Treasurer	500.00	500.00	....
Salary — Secretary	2,028.00	2,028.00	....
Exemplifications	296.00	300.00	4.00
Grand Commander's Fund	500.00	500.00	....
Public Relations and Publicity..	247.40	350.00	102.60
Promotional Activities	185.50	200.00	14.50
So. Secur. & Unemployment Taxes	206.23	200.00	6.23
Grand Commander's Jewel	63.00	65.00	2.00
Triennial Conclave	250.00	250.00	....
Auditor	200.00	200.00	....
Office Supplies	218.20	270.00	51.80
Telephone	189.28	290.00	100.72
Miscellaneous and Contingent...	411.37	500.00	88.63
Total Expense	<u>\$18,338.83</u>	<u>\$18,971.00</u>	<u>\$ 632.17</u>
Income or Expense	<u>\$ 1,002.16</u>	<u>\$ 318.00</u>	<u>\$ 684.16</u>

EXHIBIT D

TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE RESERVE ACCOUNT

FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1960

Balance—September 1, 1959 (As per last report).....	318.39
Add: Appropriation for 1962 Triennial.....\$250.00	
Interest on Savings Account..... 15.94	265.94
Balance—August 31, 1960	<u>\$584.33</u>
Represented by:	
Deposit in South Boston Savings Bank—Book No. 189482	<u>\$584.33</u>

EXHIBIT E

CARRIE E. SEITZ FUND

AUGUST 31, 1960

Balance—September 1, 1959	\$4,861.64
Add: Interest on Savings Account	168.68

Total Fund	\$5,030.32
Deduct—Interest Withdrawn for Grants	400.00
Balance, August 31, 1960	<u>\$4,630.32</u>

Represented by:

Deposit in South Weymouth Sav. Bank—Book No. 22847	<u>\$4,630.32</u>
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EXHIBIT F

GENERAL FUND

BALANCE AS AT AUGUST 31, 1960

ASSETS

Cash—General Account:		
First National Bank of Boston.....	\$14,703.07	
So. Weymouth Sav. Bank—Book No. 19542..	500.00	\$15,203.07
Petty Cash		25.00
Accounts Receivable		2,221.00
Furniture and Fixtures		1,369.53
Past Grand Commander's Jewel		50.00
Inventories:		
Diplomas	96.00	
Printing and Supplies	301.12	
Fifty Year Bars	44.27	
Past Grand Commander's Buttons	18.60	
Grand Encampment Constitution	15.00	
Order of Merit Badges	61.03	536.02
Conclaves — 1960 — Deferred		271.43
Total Assets		<u>\$19,676.05</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Accrued Taxes:		
Withholding—Federal and State	\$ 85.43	
Social Security	47.26	\$ 132.69
Accrued Expense		200.00
Total Liabilities		332.69
Net Worth—September 1, 1959	\$18,341.20	
Add: Net Income (Exhibit C)	1,002.16	
Net Worth—August 31, 1960		<u>19,343.36</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Worth		<u>\$19,676.05</u>

Conclave Account—Willey Savings Bank—
Book No. 191833 \$ 3,161.64

THE GRAND COMMANDER: We will now hear the Report of the Auditor.

GENERAL FUND

AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1960

I have examined the books and records of the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Inc., for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1960. The result of my examination is presented in the following exhibits:

- Exhibit A—Grand Recorder's Cash Summary
- Exhibit B—Grand Treasurer's Cash Summary
- Exhibit C—Comparative Income and Expense Statement
- Exhibit D—Triennial Conclave Reserve
- Exhibit E—Carrie E. Seitz Fund
- Exhibit F—General Fund Balance Sheet as at August 31, 1960

The actual income was \$51.99 in excess of, and expenses were \$684.16 below the budget figures for the year under examination. The actual net income of \$1,002.16 has been added to the net worth.

The amount voted by the Grand Commandery for the conclaves of the current year was transferred from the General Fund to a savings bank account, book number 191833, at the Willey Savings Bank.

My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the Exhibits submitted herewith present fairly the financial position of The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Inc., at August 31, 1960, and the result of transactions for the fiscal year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

GARDNER B. WARDWELL
Certified Public Accountant

Melrose, Massachusetts
September 16, 1960

THE GRAND COMMANDER: We will now have the Report of the Trustees of the Grand Fund.

Boston, Mass., October 1, 1960

To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery
K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Sir Knights:

The Trustees of the Grand Fund present herewith the Report for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1960, in the appended exhibits:

Exhibit A—Income and Expenses Statement for fiscal year ended August 31, 1960

Exhibit B—Balance Sheet as of August 31, 1960

Exhibit C—Schedule of Bonds, Stocks and Savings Bank Deposits as of August 31, 1960

The accounts have been audited and the securities examined by Sir Kt. Gardner B. Wardwell, Certified Public Accountant.

Courteously submitted,

ARCHIBALD T. MEIKLE, Chairman
HUBERT N. BERNARD, JR.
JOHN E. RINES

Trustees of the Grand Fund

EXHIBIT A

GRAND FUND

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1960

INCOME:

Interest on Bonds—per Exhibit C	\$ 467.50
Dividends on Stocks—per Exhibit C	4,355.04
Interest on Sav. Bank Deposits—per Exhibit C	468.05

Total Income for the Year \$5,290.59

EXPENSES:

Rental of Safe Deposit Box	\$ 13.20
Audit Fee	50.00
Finance Committee Dinner	36.80

Total Expense for the Year 100.00

Net Income for the Year \$5,190.59

EXHIBIT B

GRAND FUND

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

AS AT AUGUST 31, 1960

ASSETS

Deposits in Mass. Savings Banks—Exhibit C..	\$ 19,612.77
Bonds at Book Value—Exhibit C	12,600.00
Stocks—Exhibit C	72,203.51

Total Assets \$104,416.28

PRINCIPAL

Balance, September 1, 1959	\$ 99,193.69
Add: Grand Fund Net Income—Exhibit A....	5,190.59
Income from Sale of Warrants...\$44.10	
Income from Sale of 50/100 share	
The First Penn. Bank & Trust	
Co.	4.75
	48.85
	104,433.13
Deduct: Cost of 44/100 Rights Union Oil Co....	16.85
Total Principal	<u>\$104,416.28</u>

EXHIBIT C

GRAND FUND

SCHEDULE OF BONDS, STOCKS, SAVINGS DEPOSITS AND INCOME

AS AT AUGUST 31, 1960

Par	Bonds	Book Value	Income
\$7000	At'son, Top. & Santa Fe Ry. 4% 10/1/95..	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 280.00
4000	Boston & Me. R.R. Income "A" 4½% 1970	4,000.00	00.00
1600	Boston & Me. R.R. 1st Mtge. 4% 1960.....	1,600.00	00.00
7500	U.S. Sav. Bonds Ser. G 2½% Pd. Aug. 1960	00.00	187.50
		<u>\$12,600.00</u>	<u>\$ 467.50</u>

Shares	Stocks		
267	American Telephone & Telegraph Co.....	\$14,805.83	\$ 881.12
70	American Tobacco Company	2,144.59	180.25
138	Chase National Bank	4,017.77	328.80
121	Chemical Corn Exchange Bank	3,500.00	290.40
135	First National Bank of Boston	3,878.94	407.70
128	The Penn. Co. for Banks & Trusts	5,168.36	287.20
159	General Motors Corp.	4,847.19	318.00
126	Household Finance Company	3,125.23	149.40
980	Massachusetts Investors Trust	5,868.00	401.70
100	Pacific Lighting Corp.	3,370.01	240.00
204	Pittsburgh National Bank	4,550.00	290.70
100	Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey	3,891.48	225.00
100	Sterling Drug Co.	2,005.73	185.00
67	Union Oil Co. of California	1,870.43	82.25
50	United Fruit Company	2,875.09	25.00
25	F. W. Woolworth Corp.	1,084.86	62.52
100	National Shawmut Bank	5,200.00	00.00
Totals		<u>\$72,203.51</u>	<u>\$4,355.04</u>

Book No.	Savings Banks		
62890	Salem Savings Bank	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 36.25
405308	Home Savings Bank	1,045.98	47.68
190689	Willey Savings Bank	8,684.67	292.25
196439	Willey Savings Bank	5,190.59	43.19
44989	Weymouth Savings Bank	1,391.53	48.68
289908	Charlestown Savings Bank	2,300.00	00.00
		<u>\$19,612.77</u>	<u>\$ 468.05</u>

September 1, 1960

GRAND FUND

AUDITOR'S REPORT AND CERTIFICATE

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1960

I have examined the books and records of the Grand Fund of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Inc., for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1960, and present, herewith, the following exhibits.

Exhibit A—Income and Expense Statement for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1960

Exhibit B—Statement of Assets and Principal as at August 31, 1960

Exhibit C—Schedule of Bonds, Stocks, Savings Deposits and Income as at Aug. 31, 1960

The various securities were examined at the safe deposit vault of the National Shawmut Bank in presence of A. Kenneth Martin, Grand Treasurer, and George A. Weeks, Grand Recorder. Savings bank books were examined by me. The foregoing securities and saving bank accounts are in accordance with the detail as shown in Exhibit C.

I hereby certify that, in my opinion, the appended Exhibits fairly present the transactions of the Trustees for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1960, and the status of the Fund at said dates.

Respectfully submitted,

GARDNER B. WARDWELL
Certified Public Accountant

V. E. SIR CLARENCE E. BOOTH: Right Eminent Grand Commander, I move you Sir that the Report of the Grand Treasurer and the Auditor of the General Fund, the Trustees of the Grand Fund, the Grand Treasurer's Report of the Grand Fund, and the Auditor's Report of the Grand Fund be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. (Voted unanimously)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: We will now have the Reports of the Finance Committee.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Sir Knights:

We submit the following budget for this Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island for 1960-1961:

Grand Encampment Dues	\$ 2,335.00
Conclaves 1961	2,500.00
Proceedings 1960	1,200.00
Printing and Postage	1,400.00
Rent	2,125.00
Inspections	750.00
Group Meetings	250.00
Bonding and Insurance	300.00
Salary—Grand Recorder	2,522.00

Salary—Grand Treasurer	500.00
Salary — Secretary	2,113.00
Exemplifications	300.00
Grand Commander's Fund	500.00
Public Relations and Publicity	350.00
Promotional Activities	200.00
F.I.C.A. and Unemployment	200.00
Grand Commander's Jewel	65.00
Triennial Conclave	250.00
Auditor	200.00
Office Supplies	220.00
Telephone	290.00
Miscellaneous and Contingent	400.00

Total \$18,970.00

Anticipated Income from 15,059 Members @ \$1.00 Per Capita Tax	\$15,059.00
Candidate Fees 700 @ \$5.00	3,500.00
Other Income	500.00

\$19,059.00

Anticipated Income from 15,059 Members at \$1.00 Grand Encampment Eye Foundation	\$15,059.00
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Courteously submitted,

HAROLD W. SPRAGUE
EDWARD NORRIS
HAROLD A. BUDREAU

Boston, Mass., October 1, 1960

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

*To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery
K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:*

Sir Knights:

We submit the following budget for the Educational Foundation for 1961:

Postage	\$ 50.00
Salary — Secretary	2,002.00
Salary — Clerk	2,444.00
Salary — Treasurer	300.00
Rent	700.00
Telephone	150.00
Audit	300.00
Trustees' Expenses	65.00
Miscellaneous and Contingent	100.00
Bond and Insurance	200.00
Office Supplies	75.00
Retail Credit	175.00
Social Security	80.00
	\$6,641.00

NOTE: The above Budget is subject to the approval of the Grand Encampment Educational Foundation Committee.

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was voted to accept the above Reports and print same in the Proceedings.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: We will now have the Report of Jurisprudence Committee.

September 15, 1960

REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

GEORGE A. WEEKS, *Grand Recorder*
The Grand Commandery of Knights Templars
405 Masonic Temple
51 Boylston Street
Boston 16, Massachusetts

Eminent and Dear Sir:

The following amendments to By-Laws of Constituent Commanderies have been approved by the Grand Commandery during its recess and are now subject to review by the Grand Commandery:

1. Proposed amendments to the Constitution and Regulations of this Grand Commandery amending Article XVIII, Section 2, and Article VII, Section 2, copy of which is hereto annexed.
2. Proposed amendments to By-Laws of Calvary Commandery No. 13 K. T., Article IX, Section 1, Dues, copy of which is hereto annexed.
3. Proposed amendment to By-Laws of Newburyport Commandery No. 3 K. T., Article 2, copy of which is hereto annexed.
4. Proposed amendments to By-Laws of St. Johns Commandery No. 1 K. T., Article VII, Section 2, Permanent Fund, copy of which is hereto annexed.

Courteously yours,

LOUIS L. GREEN
Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS

Pawtucket, Rhode Island, May 7, 1960

*To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery
K. T.:*

Sir Knights:

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island—submitted at the Semi-Annual Conclave of this Grand Commandery for action at the Annual Conclave in October.

To AMEND ARTICLE XVIII, Section 2, by changing the words "eighty-four and one half" to one dollar four and one half" so that said Section 2 shall read:

"Every Constituent Commandery shall make annually to the Grand Recorder on or before the fifteenth of August, a return of the Roll of Officers and members and of all candidates for the Orders accepted or rejected up to and including June 30 next preceding and pay to this Grand Commandery five dollars for every Knight receiving the Order of the Temple and one dollar four and one half cents plus the amount of Per Capita dues assessed by Grand Encampment for every member returned and from the sum thus collected shall be paid the Per Capita for every member levied by the Grand Encampment. A Commandery failing to make said annual return on or before the fifteenth day of August shall pay a penalty of twenty-five dollars."

Or such figure, in lieu of "one dollar four and one half cents" as may be voted at the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery in October.

Pawtucket, Rhode Island, May 7, 1960

RESOLUTION

To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery
Sir Knights:

WHEREAS: It is our firm conviction, as suggested by R. E. Sir Alfred C. Blake in his Annual Address given on Saturday, October 10, 1959—That the Officers of Grand Commandery should conform to SECTION XVIV of the CONSTITUTION, STATUTES, DISCIPLINARY RULES, AND STANDING RESOLUTIONS, CEREMONIES AND FORMS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

WHEREAS: The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, at their 44th Triennial Conclave held in San Francisco, California, on September 19-20-21-22-23, 1949 adopted Amendments to Section 19 and 20—"The Officers of the Grand Encampment shall consist of and etc.—The first four of whom and the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder shall be elected and installed and the others shall be appointed by the Grand Master."

Therefore be it RESOLVED—That the Constitution of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island be AMENDED as follows:

To AMEND ARTICLE VII, Section 2 "OFFICERS."
"The first four of the above officers and the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder shall be elected. The remaining Officers, the Grand Prelate, a Grand Sentinel, Division Commanders and an Inspector Instructor, shall be appointed by the Grand Commander."

NOTE: The above Resolution was submitted to the Semi-Annual Conclave held in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, May 7th, 1960 and is to become effective upon its passage.

CALVARY COMMANDERY No. 13

May 17, 1960

Change in By-Laws

That Article IX, Section 1, be amended by substituting the word nine for the word six in the first sentence.

ARTICLE IX—DUES—would then read:

Section 1. Annual dues of nine dollars shall be paid to the Recorder of this Commandery by each member thereof (except as provided in Articles V and VI) for the purpose of defraying the current expenses and for such other purposes as the Commandery may, from time to time, order, the same to be due and payable in advance on the first day of October in each year.

No member of this Commandery who is in arrears in the payment of either dues or assessments, for the term of two years, shall be entitled to vote or be eligible to hold office therein.

NEWBURYPORT COMMANDERY No. 3

May 19, 1960

To the Commander, Officers, and Members of Newburyport Commandery No. 3:

I move to amend Article 2, Section 2, of the By-Laws of Newburyport Commandery No. 3 as follows:

Strike out the last sentence of Section 2, Article 2, which governs the date of the installation of the officers, and which reads as follows:

"Their installation shall take place at the Annual Conclave in September and they shall hold their respective offices until their successors are installed"; and to substitute therefor the following:

"Their installation may take place at any time convenient to the Commandery, subsequent to their election, but said installation must take place no later than the stated conclave in October, and they shall hold their respective offices until their successors shall be installed."

This amendment shall not become effective until approved by the Committee on By-laws of the Grand Commandery and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, nor until after January 1, 1961, if approved by this Commandery.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT S. LINCOLN
Generalissimo

ST. JOHN'S COMMANDERY NO. 1

Amendment to By-Laws

Article VII, Section 2—Permanent Fund

Delete the paragraph commencing with "Should a vacancy."

Substitute the following: "Should a vacancy occur owing to incapacity, resignation or withdrawal from the jurisdiction the Commander shall have authority to make an interim appointment for the unexpired term for confirmation at the next stated conclave, due notice thereof being borne on the notification. The election of members to said board shall be by majority ballot."

In accordance with Article VIII Amendments, this amendment shall be borne on the notification of the two succeeding stated conclaves and then adopted by vote of four-fifths of all members present voting in the affirmative by ballot.

H. H. WARDLE
Recorder

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to accept the Report of the Jurisprudence Committee, and print same in the Proceedings.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, we will now act upon the Amendments to the Constitution. The first one is the Amendment to the Grand Constitution of this Grand Commandery submitted at the Semi-Annual Conclave held on May 25, 1959:

MOVED: That Section 1 of Article IV of the Constitution of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island be amended by striking out the word "and May" and the semi-colon in the second line of the first paragraph and by striking out the words "in October" in the fourth line of said paragraph, and by striking out the semi-colon in the fifth line thereof and by inserting in its place a period, and by striking out the words "and in May for the transaction

of such business as may be presented," so that said Section 1 of said Article IV will read as follows:

"Article IV. Section 1. This Grand Commandery shall hold a stated conclave in October of each year at such time and place within our Grand Jurisdiction as the Grand Commander shall appoint for the election of officers and the transaction of the annual business.

Special conclaves may be called by the Grand Commander; and shall be called by him upon the written request of a majority of the Commanderies.

No business shall be transacted at a Special Conclave except that specified in the notice of summons."

Sir Knights, you have heard the recommendation to amend the Constitution as read. What is your pleasure?

After much discussion on the above Amendment by R. E. Sir Kenneth H. Earle and R. E. Sir Alfred C. Blake, Eminent Sir Herman C. McStay moved the adoption of this Amendment and the motion was seconded.

R. E. SIR JOHN E. RINES: R. E. Grand Commander, I heartily agree with Sir Knight Blake. However, there is a loophole here. I am one of the old ones here and I have seen a lot of things promised but forgotten. Now I would like to add an amendment that the Grand Commander shall hold a meeting in Rhode Island in honor of the Sir Knights of Rhode Island of which we proudly bear the name and which was the first Commandery to be organized to form this Grand Commandery, but at which meeting no business shall be transacted according to our Constitution. Understand the Grand Commander shall hold a meeting once a year in Rhode Island at which time no business shall be transacted in accordance with our Constitution. That word "shall" shall be in there and that is all that I ask for in honor of our Rhode Island Brethren. I would like to make that amendment. (Motion seconded)

Following much discussion, regarding Special Conclaves and the Corporate Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. (Note a complete transcription is on file in Grand Commandery Office.)

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.: R. E. Grand Commander, nobody has asked me, although I am a member of the Jurisprudence Committee, but may I suggest as follows: that it is of imperative importance to comply with the statutory provisions of the Massachusetts law in the question of this corporation of ours. It was done for a purpose as was the case in the Grand Lodge and the Grand Council and the Grand Chapter and the local Shrine. A new law was passed in Massachusetts which makes buildings in which fraternal bodies meet free of local taxes if those bodies themselves are either charitable trusts or charitable

corporations. This was given a lot of thought by a lot of people.

Now if you want to let this go until after lunch—when incidentally I won't be here to interrupt—I would suggest if an amendment is desired that one be drawn. There is merit in the proposed amendment which I did not draw but it could be revamped so as to read something to the effect that the R. E. Grand Commander each year shall provide for a special meeting to be held in Rhode Island. It can be phrased, I would consider, to make it legal but I think you are playing with the finances of four-fifths of all the Commanderies of Massachusetts and Rhode Island if you play around with this thing like boys. This is serious business.

I won't take Boston because I happen to be here but let's take Newton. If Gethsemane of Newton isn't under a corporate tent they will start making that Temple taxable in the city of Newton and the same thing holds for every city in Massachusetts. Let's not play around with this thing and be too sentimental. Let's be sentimental but practical and make an amendment that means something. We are talking words but we are also involving a considerable amount of money.

Automatically your Commandery meets in this Temple and if your Commandery is not under a corporate tent in this State I assume that the very honorable gentleman on your right will start doing something about the rent of DeMolay Commandery because this building will be taxed proportionately because of the fact that you are not under the tent as a member of the Grand Commandery and, therefore, you are not a charitable organization and, therefore, the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts will be paying money in your behalf and unless they have changed a lot I don't think they are going to do it complimentary.

May I move, to bring it to a head, that perhaps R. E. Sir Blake, who is the original author of this, with the assistance let us say of equally eminent barristers, sit down and put a well worded amendment in which will in their opinion cover the legal point involved, yet assure the boys in the Plantations of having a social event down there every year which I for one will be only too glad to attend as I always have. Therefore, let's lay it on the table until after lunch.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, it has been moved and seconded that we lay this on the table until after lunch until it can be, as R. E. Sir Wilson so aptly put it, that the amendment can be drawn up to keep us out of trouble. Therefore it will be laid on the table until after lunch.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: The next resolution is on making the Council a prerequisite in this Grand Jurisdiction. We would like very much to have the report on this resolution from our R. E. Sir Robert Gordiner Wilson, Jr.

Proposed Resolution to Amend the Constitution of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, Presented for Action at this Annual Conclave.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: It is our firm conviction that the York Rite of Freemasonry should be more closely united, and that Chapters, Councils, and Commanderies should work together for their mutual benefit, and,

WHEREAS: The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, at their 47th Triennial Conclave held at Indianapolis, Indiana, August 16-22, 1958, adopted an amendment to their Constitution, which provided that any Grand Commandery may, by proper enactment, require the Cryptic Degrees as prerequisite to the Orders of Knighthood in its Constituent Commanderies.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; That the Constitution of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island be amended as follows:

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To amend Article XIX, Section 1—"Orders and Qualifications," of the Constitution, by adding after the words "Royal Arch Mason" in the fifth line, the following: "Royal Master, Select Master and Super Excellent Master"; and by adding after the words, "Royal Arch Mason" in the seventh line, the following: "and Super Excellent Master"; so that Section 1 shall read:

"The Orders of Knighthood shall not be conferred upon anyone who has not received the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, Master Mason, Mark Master Mason, Past Master, Most Excellent Master, Royal Arch Mason, Royal Master, Select Master, and Super Excellent Master; nor upon anyone who is not an affiliated Master Mason, Royal Arch Mason, and Super Excellent Master; nor upon anyone who has not resided at least six months" (continue to end of section without change).

To amend Article XIX, Section 6, of the Constitution by adding the following sentence: "However, for candidates who petition for the Orders on or before November 1, 1960, membership in good standing in Lodge and Chapter only is necessary to acquire or retain membership in a Commandery."

Proposed by

R. E. Sir Frank H. Wilson and

R. E. Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr.

These amendments shall be effective only when and so long as amendments to the Constitution of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Massachusetts and the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Rhode Island shall provide and specify that all applications for election to receive the degrees shall also require the applicant simultaneously to sign application for the Orders of Knighthood if his religious beliefs permit signing of a representation that he is a firm believer in the Christian religion.

The above amendments were submitted at the Annual Conclave for action at our Semi-Annual Conclave and was postponed to the Annual Conclave in October, 1959, and have been approved by the Jurisprudence Committee.

POSTPONED—October 10, 1959, For Action October 1, 1960.

POSTPONED FOR FURTHER STUDY, October 1, 1960.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: We would like to have the Report on this Resolution from R. E. Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr.

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.: R. E. Grand Commander, on this matter the members of the Committee having gone into further consultation with the heads of the Bodies involved and also the Grand Recorder's office and progress made in other Jurisdictions and ours, we hoped that the experiment, if it could be called an experiment, would be tried in enough other Jurisdictions to get us helpful information. Therefore, with the approval of the great minds of the Council of Royal and Select Masters and not over their opposition it is thought best that this matter lay on the table for further study which will include watching the development in other States in which there is still considerable flux. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, you have heard the report as moved and seconded.

E. SIR JAMES C. BAYLEY: R. E. Sir, do I understand that it is postponed for one year?

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.: Yes, Sir.

E. SIR JAMES C. BAYLEY: I think the motion you made was to lay on the table.

R. E. SIR ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.: Well, I have talked so much that I am getting a little confusing. Let's say to lay it over for one year whether it is Massachusetts, Rhode Island or New Jersey.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you. Sir Knights, you have heard the motion as seconded and the question on

this resolution to be postponed for one year. All those in favor. All those opposed. It is so carried.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: We now have TWO more Resolutions: the next Resolution is:

WHEREAS: It is our firm conviction, as suggested by R. E. Sir Alfred C. Blake in his Annual Address given on Saturday, October 10, 1959—That the Officers of Grand Commandery should conform to SECTION XIX of the CONSTITUTION, STATUTES, DISCIPLINARY RULES, AND STANDING RESOLUTIONS, CEREMONIES AND FORMS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

WHEREAS: The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, at their 44th Triennial Conclave held in San Francisco, California, on September 19-20-21-22-23, 1949, adopted Amendments to Section 19 and 20—"The Officers of the Grand Encampment shall consist of and etc.—The first four of whom and the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder shall be elected and installed and the others shall be appointed by the Grand Master."

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:—"That the Constitution of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island be AMENDED as follows:

To amend Article VII, Section 2—"OFFICERS"—"The first four of the above officers and the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder shall be elected. The remaining Officers, the Grand Prelate, a Grand Sentinel, Division Commanders and an Inspector Instructor, shall be appointed by the Grand Commander."

NOTE: The above Resolution was submitted at the Semi-Annual Conclave held in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, May 7th, 1960, and is to become effective upon its passage.

APPROVED BY JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE.

ADOPTED OCTOBER 1st, 1960.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, you have read and heard the resolution. It has been moved and seconded that it be adopted. All those in favor signify by the sword arm. Those opposed. Sir Knights, will all those in favor please stand.

E. SIR GILBERT G. MACHON: R. E. Grand Commander, might I ask a question first? Are we now going to elect for a three year period as in the Grand Encampment?

THE GRAND COMMANDER: That is not in the resolution. Be seated. All those opposed. It is so moved and the motion is carried.

The next is proposed amendment—

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS: May I interrupt for a second? Under Article 5, Amendments, Section 1, these regulations may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any conclave of the Grand Commandery.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: It is proposed to amend Article 18, Section 2, by changing the words "eighty-four and one-half" to "one dollar four and one-half" so that said Section 2 shall read as outlined in here. That amendment was proposed by R. E. Sir Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island—submitted at the Semi-Annual Conclave of this Grand Commandery for action at the Annual Conclave in October."

To amend Article XVIII, Section 2, by changing the words "eighty-four and one-half" to "one dollar four and one-half" so that said Section 2 shall read:

"Every Constituent Commandery shall make annually to the Grand Recorder on or before the tenth of August, a return of the Roll of Officers and members and of all candidates for the Orders accepted or rejected up to and including June 30 next preceding and pay to this Grand Commandery five dollars for every Knight receiving the Order of the Temple and one dollar four and one-half cents plus the amount of Per Capita dues assessed by Grand Encampment for every member returned and from the sum thus collected shall be paid the Per Capita for every member levied by the Grand Encampment. A Commandery failing to make said annual return on or before the tenth day of August shall pay a penalty of twenty-five dollars."

Or such figure, in lieu of "one dollar four and one half cents" as may be voted at the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery in October.

After a very lengthy discussion regarding the merits of the Proposed Amendment—THE RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER asked, Is there any other questions, if not, it has been moved and seconded that this Proposed Amendment to the Constitution of this Grand Commandery be adopted. All in favor will signify by rising, all opposed. The motion is carried.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, we will now declare a recess for lunch, and I ask that you get back a little bit early at two-fifteen instead of two-thirty.

(Grand Commandery recessed at 1:05 and reconvened at 2:40 P. M.)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: I now declare Grand Commandery reconvened for business at 2:40 P.M. We will

now hear the Report of the Committee on New Membership and Publicity.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF MEMBERSHIP PROGRESS AND PUBLICITY

*To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery,
K. T.:*

Our Grand Commandery barely succeeded in having a net gain for the year just ended. The final figures show a net gain of only 20 members and a year-end total of 15,059 members. The total number added to membership was close to the average of the five preceding years, but members given demits and suspensions totaled 259 compared with an average of 198 for the preceding five years. Special attention should be given to demits and suspensions.

Membership Change—Five-Year Period

	1960	1959	1958	1957	1956
Knights	678	695	668	728	642
Affiliated	31	27	23	17	14
Reinstated	15	17	19	21	15
Gross Additions	724	739	710	766	671
Deaths	433	444	435	432	420
Demits	149	120	98	121	121
Suspensions	110	90	67	118	86
Errors	12	—	4	7	7
Gross Terminations	704	654	604	678	634
Net Gain	20	85	106	88	37
Percent Gain	.13%	.57%	.71%	.59%	.25%

MEMBERSHIP GAINS

Pilgrim Commandery was first in membership gain with an increase of 28, Natick Commandery was second with a gain of 22, and Berkshire Commandery with a gain of 19 was in third place.

NET GAINS AND LOSSES

Thirty commanderies registered gains in membership for the year, 17 had losses and three had no change. The 30 Commanderies produced a total gain of 227, but the 17 commanderies with losses came within 20 of nullifying the total gain.

DEBITS AND SUSPENSIONS

In 1958 the total of debits and suspensions was 165, in 1959—219 and in 1960—259, an increase of 94 over the 1958 total. It is important that a way be found to stop these serious losses of members.

AFFILIATIONS AND REINSTATEMENTS

We had 12 more affiliations and reinstatements than in last year. I believe further membership gains can be realized from these sources.

PETITIONS

We obtained 769 petitions toward our Grand Commandery quota of 1,000. Seventeen commanderies, or 34%, equaled or exceeded their quotas. It is significant that all commanderies that made their quotas had a net gain in membership for the year. Pilgrim Commandery led all other commanderies with 253% of its quota and Trinity Commandery reached 208% of its quota. Eight of the 17 commanderies have two or more successive years of quota attainment. Cyprus Commandery now has an unbroken period of seven successive years of quota attainment.

Boston Commandery obtained the largest number of petitions, 56, followed by Pilgrim Commandery with 48 and DeMolay Commandery with 41 petitions.

PUBLICITY

Through the cooperation of the Grand Recorder use was made of The Templar during the year to promote and record membership activity.

Courteously submitted,

J. LEROY JONES

Director, Membership Progress and Publicity

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to accept the above report and print same in the Proceedings.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: We will now have the report of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS

October 1, 1960

Right Eminent Grand Commander and Sir Knights:

Your Committee on Charters and Dispensations wishes

to report that no business requiring its attention has been presented for its consideration.

Courteously,

HAROLD S. CROCKER
FRANK H. WILSON
FRANK B. ELLS

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was voted to accept the above report and print same in the Proceedings.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: We will hear the Report of the Committee on Printing.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRINTING

Boston, Massachusetts, October 1, 1960

*To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery
K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:*

Sir Knights:

Your Printing Committee made every effort to keep the cost of printing the 1959 Proceedings of this Grand Commandery to a minimum for the quality of paper used and the workmanship involved.

Your Committee, as in previous years, requested quotations for printing the 1959 Proceedings and we are pleased to report that although our Budget called for \$1,250.00, we were able to have 250 copies printed at a total cost of \$1,190.25—this figure includes the cost of mailing. We will make every effort to keep the printing of the 1960 Proceedings to a minimum.

We recommend "that only the essence of long discussions or speeches be printed in the Proceedings as full transcripts are bound and on file in the Grand Commandery Office."

Courteously submitted,

ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY, *Chairman*
CLARENCE E. BOOTH
GEORGE A. WEEKS

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to accept the above report and print same in the Proceedings.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: We will hear the Report of the Inspector Instructor.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR INSTRUCTOR

Oct. 1, 1960

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and Members of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

This year all Commanderies held their inspections except St. Paul Commandery No. 40. 31 Commanderies earned a mark of 10—, 9 a 9+, 5 a 9, 3 a 9— and 1 an 8+.

Twenty nine Commanderies earned the same mark as last year with 6 Commanderies earning a higher mark and 14 a lower mark.

Only 6 Commanderies lost in their attendance, 4 to 23 points with only 2 repeating a loss. A total of 11 Commanderies lost points last year.

Two Commanders made no errors while 25 lost 1 to 9 points, 14 lost 10 to 19 points and the remaining 8 had a loss of 20 to 80 points.

The 49 Commanderies lost from 7 to 160 points for a total of 2006 points or 40.9 points per Commandery. This compares with 35.9 points in '58-'59 and 44.4 points in '57-'58.

Courteously submitted,

THOMAS C. BROWN
Inspector Instructor

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to accept the above report and print same in the Proceedings.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: We will hear the Report of the Eye Foundation Committee.



Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. and Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary officials pose for group photograph in Howe Laboratory on occasion of presentation of \$15,000 check in support of Laboratory's research.

Left to right, George A. Weeks, Grand Recorder; Dwight C. Page, Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Massachusetts and Rhode Island Commandery; John E. Rines, Trustee and Secretary, Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.; Henry Hixon Meyer, President Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary; Edwin B. Dunphy, M. D., Chief of Ophthalmology, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary; Francis S. Hill, hospital Director; Denholm M. Jacobs, Associate Director; David G. Cogan, M. D., Director of the Howe Laboratory and William H. Claflin, III, Chairman of the Infirmary's Research Committee.

REPORT OF THE K. T. EYE FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

Boston, Mass., October 1, 1960

To the Officers and Members of Grand Commandery:

Sir Knights:

Your Committee was organized two years ago as a coordinating and supervising Committee with the responsibility of seeing that Committees were appointed in each Constituent Commandery and that they function and carry out the duties and objectives defined for them.

Forty-one (41) Commanderies have appointed their Committees, the names and addresses of the Committee

members were forwarded to the Executive Director of the Grand Encampment Eye Foundation in New York as requested, so that they may be kept informed on the progress of the Foundation.

Nine (9) Commanderies have not as yet appointed their Committees, these are as follows: Washington No. 4, Newport, R. I., Old Colony No. 15, Abington, Mass., Sutton No. 16, New Bedford, Mass., Northampton No. 30, Northampton, Mass., Natick No. 33, Natick, Mass., Coeur de Lion No. 34, Medford, Mass., Cyprus No. 39, Hyde Park, Mass., St. Paul No. 40, North Adams, Mass., and Sir Galahad, Waltham, Mass.

The Eye Foundation Committees are known as:

- (1) The Committee on Applications and Publicity
- (2) The Committee on Wills and Bequests

The "Committee on Application and Publicity" has as its objective the contacting and enlightening of the various Masonic Bodies, civic groups, and the general public on the accomplishment of the K. T. Eye Foundation with a view of expanding our work, so that a greater number of persons with greatly impaired vision needing surgery and hospitalization and unable to pay, may be helped by us.

The "Committee on Wills and Bequests" advises banks, trustees, or other individuals desiring to designate the K. T. Eye Foundation as a beneficiary in their wills.

The K. T. Eye Foundation has as its objectives, research, treatment, and hospitalization of diseases or injuries of the eye in an effort to prevent blindness. This service is available to anyone regardless of race, creed, color, age, or national origin, and the treatment is free and limited to persons unable to pay.

For research a total of \$487,500.00 has been awarded in grants to 19 Institutions in the U. S. A. In our own jurisdiction a total of \$32,500.00 has been granted to the Howe Laboratory of Ophthalmology, Harvard University Medical School, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston.

Following is a list of projects for which monies from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation have been used or are currently being used and the publications of which acknowledge the valuable contribution of the Knights Templars.

Glaucoma studies. Money used for operation of the Glaucoma Clinic at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Cataract studies. Purchase of equipment for studies on the biochemistry of the lens.

Histochemical studies. On the eye and other tissue directed toward the following ends: a) nature of pingue-

culae; b) nature of the lipid substance in Tay-Sachs disease; c) basis for the focal translucency of the senile sclera; d) lipogenetic peculiarities of the Purkinje system in the heart; and, e) distribution of dehydrogenases in the retina.

Since the organization of the K. T. Eye Foundation, Grand Encampment has processed 2108 cases in the U.S.A. with a total expenditure of approximately one half million dollars. In Massachusetts and Rhode Island, we have had few cases in 16 Commanderies with an expenditure of \$8,098.70:

<i>Commandery</i>	<i>Cases</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>
Haverhill No. 14	7	\$1,886.50
Godfrey de Bouillon No. 25	4	1,245.00
St. Omer No. 21	3	1,235.00
Natick No. 33	3	634.20
Worcester County No. 5	2	535.00
Sutton No. 16	2	375.00
Woonsocket No. 24	2	425.00
St. John's No. 1	1	880.00
Newburyport No. 3	1	.....
Jerusalem No. 19	1	.....
Bristol No. 29	1	393.00
South Shore No. 31	1	.....
Coeur de Lion No. 34	1	.....
Olivet No. 36	1	.....
Cyprus No. 39	1	490.00
Quincy No. 47	1	.....
Total	32	\$8,098.70
Authorized	22	
No surgery required	8	
Disapproved	2	
	32	

Since our last report, we have received publicity in 10 newspapers, last year 16 different newspapers published articles for us on the K. T. Eye Foundation.

Your Committee suggests that an earnest and active effort be made to publicize the work of the K. T. Eye Foundation, not only in newspapers, but also by advising doctors regarding it and by ferreting out persons whom we may assist, we will then have the experience of receiving more applications and incidently seeing more people becoming interested in the glory of Knights Templar everywhere.

Courteously submitted,

FRANK H. WILSON, *Chairman*, Hugh de Payens No. 20

WILLIAM TURNER, St. Andrew No. 49

GEORGE H. MORSE, JR., Bethlehem No. 43

ALFRED E. GRANT, Thomas Smith Webb No. 51

GEORGE S. KENISON, Beauseant No. 41

*K. T. Eye Foundation Committee for
Massachusetts and Rhode Island*

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to accept the above report and print same in the Proceedings.

REPORT OF THE TRIENNIAL COMMITTEE

September 30, 1960

To the Officers and Members of this Grand Commandery:

The Triennial will be held at Cleveland, Ohio, August 12 through August 17, 1961.

The committee has nothing to report at this time but will have soon as I understand from the Rt. Em. Grand Recorder that Grand Encampment is sending out publicity soon.

CLARENCE E. BOOTH
Chairman of Triennial Committee

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to accept the above report, and print same in the proceedings.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Now we will have New Business.

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS: R. E. Sir under the heading of New Business, I have the following Resolution:

The following resolution has been submitted by Rt. Em. Sir John E. Rines, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A. It has been approved by the Finance Committee, by three members of the Council, the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder:

MEMBERS of the GRAND ENCAMPMENT, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, of the U.S.A., and the PAYMENT of MILEAGE AND PER DIEM for ATTENDANCE at the TRIENNIAL CONCLAVES.

(a) All Past Grand Commanders of this Grand Commandery,

(b) The Grand Commander, the Deputy Grand Commander, the Grand Generalissimo and the Grand Captain General of this Grand Commandery, who shall be entitled to seats in the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, of the U. S. A.

It shall be the duty of the above mentioned members of the Grand Encampment to attend, when possible, all sessions of each Triennial Conclave of the said Grand Encampment and unless otherwise instructed by vote of this Grand Commandery, to cast their vote for the best interests of this Grand Commandery.

Each MEMBER attending a Triennial Conclave—not otherwise receiving mileage and per diem from other sources—shall be allowed mileage and per diem for attendance at any Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, of the U.S.A., mileage to be computed on the distance traveled by direct rail route from Boston to and from the City in which the Triennial is to be held, and per diem computed on the number of days—or half days—required to reach the Triennial City, the number of days—or half days—in attendance at the sessions and return direct to Boston.

The rates which shall be paid are as follows: Mileage, 10c per mile; per diem, \$20 per day.

These rates can be amended by a 2/3 or 3/4 vote at any Annual Meeting.

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS: The explanation of the above RESOLUTION IS as follows: I will pick this up going to Indianapolis. I understand each delegates was paid about \$313. On present day round-trip fares first-class which has had two increases, \$133.31 with single occupancy roomette at \$127. Single occupancy bedroom \$147.28. At ten cents a mile it amounted to \$220, seven days at \$15 or \$105, or a grand total of \$317.40. In that way the mileage and per diem would figure out \$4.40 more than they were allowed. R. E. John E. Rines says this year, "I will recommend a \$5 increase or \$20 as such to Cleveland from Boston. One day going and returning and six days at the Conclave if all sessions are attended paying eight days at \$20 or \$160 or a grand total of \$515.80."

All it is is a matter of having it set by resolution and our delegates go by way of mileage and per diem if they go to the Grand Encampment Session.

R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE: R. E. Grand Commander, I move the resolution be adopted. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: The motion has been made and seconded that this resolution be adopted. All those in favor signify by the sword arm. All those opposed, the bridle arm. It is so carried.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Is there any further new business?

E. SIR HERMAN C. MCSTAY: R. E. Sir, what happened to that Resolution that was laid on the table?

R. E. SIR JOHN E. RINES: R. E. Grand Commander, I offered an amendment to an amendment to the Constitution, now I would like to withdraw that amendment. I will not oppose it.

R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE: I move the adoption of the amendment to the Constitution eliminating the mandatory requirement for a Semi-Annual. Please understand

that does not mean we will not have a Special Conclave. If you will read the Article to the Constitution as amended you will see the Grand Commander may have a Special Conclave if, as and when, he pleases. There is no reason why an incoming Grand Commander next year or after can't have a Special Conclave in Rhode Island. He can have one in Pittsfield or Newburyport.

(A lengthy discussion followed and the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Lawrence E. Eaton, was called upon to give his laymen's view on tax exemption for Charitable Institutions.

M. W. LAURENCE E. EATON: I hate to get into this. As I understand it from a layman's view, trying to be incorporated as a charitable institution, you haven't a charter yet. The fact of the matter is that here in the Temple Grand Lodge will pay no taxes on any income they receive, it isn't that way, but if the Commandery is recognized as a charitable institution then rent the Grand Lodge receives is still on a charitable basis. In other words, if you are charitable the Blue Lodges are charitable, the Scottish Rites are charitable, the only taxes we pay are on the basis of the commercial rentals on the first floor. Now if they should decide that the Commandery is not a charitable institution then we are renting to other tenants and that puts us into a different category.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, you have heard the motion and discussion. It has been moved and seconded. Those in favor please rise. Be seated. Those opposed rise. The Ayes have it. It is passed.

R. E. GRAND COMMANDER: Is there any further business?

E. SIR ROBERT ANDREWS: R. E. Sir, could I make a point of new business? I have been asked by a number of Sir Knights to request recognition for the purpose of asking reconsideration on the resolution carried this morning which read as follows: "That the Constitution of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island be amended as follows. To amend Article 7, Section 2, Officers. The first four of the above Officers and the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder shall be elected. The remaining Officers, the Grand Prelate, Grand Sentinel, Division Commanders and Inspector Instructor shall be appointed by the Grand Commander."

If reconsidered it is apparent that there was a misunderstanding among a great number of the Sir Knights present as to the purpose of the resolution passed.

R. E. SIR ALFRED C. BLAKE: R. E. Grand Commander, I rise to a point of order. If that motion is not made by

somebody who moved in favor of the original resolution this motion cannot now be entertained.

NOTE: The original resolution was read by the Grand Recorder.

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS: R. E. Grand Commander, this is quoted from the Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templars of the United States of America, Officers, Section 43. "The Officers of a Grand Commandery shall be a Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo, Grand Captain General, Grand Senior Warden, Grand Junior Warden, Grand Prelate, Grand Treasurer, Grand Recorder, Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Sword Bearer, Grand Warder, Grand Captain of the Guard. The first four of whom and the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder shall be elected and the remaining ones shall be elected or appointed as each Grand Commandery may determine."

(Much discussion followed on the point of order.)

E. SIR HERMAN C. MCSTAY: R. E. Sir, I believe as long as no names were called this morning, no Roll Call, I believe that anything that comes up on this is on a point of order. The Sir Knights are standing up today, and in all due respect you can't pinpoint, and therefore, it must be out of order.

VOICE: R. E. Grand Commander, you had a majority vote on that topic this morning and you asked before if you should take a ballot or majority vote and they agreed by majority vote and you can't take that away.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, there is no alternative for me otherwise to do than to rule that motion is out of order.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Em. Sir Herman C. McStay will you present Em. Sir John J. Mick, Grand Warder to the East?

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Johnnie, we have come to the end of a long road together and as my final duty I would like to present you your Past Grand Warder's jewel and epulets to show that you are a Past and, Johnnie, it has been really wonderful all you have done through the years. You have gone along with me and the devotion and friendship and, well, I just don't have words enough to express to you for everything that you have done for me. Thank you so much. It is indeed a great pleasure.

E. SIR JOHN J. MICK: Well, don't forget it was my pleasure too. And, Elliott, I want to thank you for the privilege of serving you as your Warder.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Anything further to come before this Grand Commandery under new business?

R. E. SIR FRANK H. WILSON: R. E. Grand Commander, as the last duty before you retire, as is customary, I so move that all the acts of the Officers and Committees of the fiscal year 1959-1960 be ratified and approved. (Motion seconded)

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, you have heard the motion as seconded. All those in favor signify by the sword arm. All those opposed. It is carried.

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS: R. E. Sir, this will not affect the Sir Knights on the sidelines. This is a rule of the Board of Corporations in Massachusetts. At the Annual Conclave, six Directors are to be elected who are to be installed into the respective offices: Grand Commander and President, Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo, Grand Captain General, Grand Treasurer, Grand Recorder, and a Board of Directors. There are twenty-one Directors under the Corporation and you, as President, had the vote sent out for the Directors, which are all here, and this is the result of the ballot.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: There were twenty who voted on the question of the Annual Meeting of the Directors; twenty-one voted yes on question one; twenty of the twenty-one voted yes on question two. So they are duly elected.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.

September 12, 1960

Sir Knights:

The ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC. will be held in Ionic Hall, Masonic Temple, 51 Boylston Street, Boston on: Saturday, October 1, 1960, 2:30 P. M., or immediately preceding the Election of the Grand Commandery Officers.

At this meeting a vote will be taken as to setting an exact date for the Annual Meeting of this Board of Directors.

Courteously yours,

ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY
President

Attest:

GEORGE A. WEEKS
Clerk

THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, INC.

Question No. 1

Article IX, Section No. 2, provides that "A regular meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held in conjunc-

tion with each Annual Conclave and without further notice."

"At the Annual Conclave, six Directors are to be elected who are to be installed into their respective offices: Grand Commander and President, Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo, Grand Captain General, Grand Treasurer, Grand Recorder . . . In addition, a Grand Senior Warden and Grand Junior Warden are to be elected but they are not Directors."

The Board of Directors are: Harold W. Sprague, John E. Rines, Frank H. Wilson, Harold S. Crocker, Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., Frederic Kennedy, Harrie M. Taft, Kenneth H. Earle, Mortimer W. Schroeder, Thomas A. Booth, Dwight C. Page, Alfred C. Blake, Elliott N. Holley, Whitfield W. Johnson and George B. Rowell.

If you are in accord with the above articles, will you please sign and return at once to the Grand Recorder?

Signed

NOTE: This Ballot is sent to you at this time to expedite the business at the Annual Conclave.

Question No. 2

September 12, 1960

Article IV of the corporate By-laws provided for an Annual Conclave to be held in Boston in October, a Stated Conclave in May, and made provisions for Special Conclaves.

It is the ruling of the Jurisprudence Committee: "That a fixed date for an Annual Meeting within the month of October is required in order to comply with the corporation laws of the Commonwealth," and hence, the second Tuesday in October is open in the Masonic Temple, Boston, when Ionic and Doric Halls and large Banquet Hall are available for the entire day; this day is acceptable to the Grand Lodge and will be so reserved.

It is the opinion of the Committee "That the requirements in the corporate By-laws that it be held in Boston be continued as it is an almost universal practice that such corporations have their annual meetings in the Commonwealth, and usually at their headquarters."

If you are in accord with the above date and place of Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors, will you please sign and return at once to the Grand Recorder.

Signed

THE GRAND COMMANDER: I find that it is time for the election of officers.

Nominations are now in order for the Grand Officers for the ensuing year. The following were elected and appointed:

R. E. Grand Commander.....SIR KT. CLARENCE E. BOOTH
V. E. Deputy Grand Commander.....SIR KT. RAYMOND D. DOUGLASS
E. Grand Generalissimo.....SIR KT. WILLIAM F. WEST
E. Grand Captain General.....SIR KT. LOUIS A. BEAUDOIN
R. E. Grand Treasurer.....SIR KT. A. KENNETH MARTIN
R. E. Grand Recorder.....SIR KT. GEORGE A. WEEKS

TRUSTEE

EM. SIR ARCHIBALD T. MEIKLE.....Three Years

The following appointments were made:

Grand Senior Warden.....SIR KT. RUSSELL R. LONG
Grand Junior Warden.....SIR KT. G. BURTON LONG
Grand Prelate.....REV. AND SIR KT. FRANK B. CRANDALL
Associate Grand Prelates.....REV. AND SIR KT. W. IRVING MONROE, JR.
SIR KT. RALPH E. NOBLE
SIR KT. WILLIAM J. O'NEIL
Grand Standard Bearer.....SIR KT. HERMAN C. MCSTAY
Grand Sword Bearer.....SIR KT. GEORGE C. PATTON, JR.
Grand Warder.....SIR KT. CHARLES D. HARRINGTON
Grand Captain of the Guard.....SIR KT. GORDON C. PLAYER
Grand Sentinel.....SIR KT. CLARENCE R. DAVIS
Division Commander—6th.....SIR KT. NORMAN L. STAVELEY
Division Commander—7th.....SIR KT. JACK RICHARD BAKER
Inspector Instructor.....SIR KT. THOMAS C. BROWN

The Officers elected and appointed were duly installed by Sir Knight Harold S. Crocker, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander, assisted by Sir Knight Kenneth H. Earle, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander, as Marshal.

ORGANIZATION FOR 1960-1961

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Following the Official Proclamation, R. E. Sir Elliott N. Holley was presented to the East.

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS: The time has come when you must be deprived of these shoulder straps and pass them on to your successor in office. So that you will be clothed as a Past Grand Commander I present you with these shoulder straps and it is a pleasure for me to present you with your Past Grand Commander's jewel which will show to the world that you have served this Grand Commandery to the best of your ability and from the report that you read today we know that you have done a marvelous job this year.

In presenting you this jewel there is something very near and dear to you. That is the jewel worn by the last Grand Commander from DeMolay Commandery, R. E. Sir Clarence Burleigh, and it was requested in his will that this jewel be returned to me to be the custodian of it, to be presented to you when you became a Past Grand Commander. This has been fitted with a hinge back and you will find under there the original name of Clarence Burleigh who died in California some time ago. It is a pleasure for me to pin upon your breast this jewel which I know you will wear, as they say in Blue Lodge, with equal pleasure to yourself and honor to the Fraternity.

R. E. SIR ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY: Thank you very much, George. It is indeed very pleasing. I am particularly happy to have received the jewel from you and, of course, it means a great deal that it did come originally from Past Grand Commander R. E. Sir Clarence Burleigh who, as you say, was Past Commander of DeMolay and the last Grand Commander out of DeMolay. But for it I thank you and this Grand Commandery and the work that you have done with me this year my heartfelt thanks for the assistance and aid you have been to me. Thank you very much. It has indeed been a privilege and pleasure working with you.

R. E. Grand Commander, Let me Sir congratulate you and assure you of my support in anything I can do to help you in the coming year.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Thank you, R. E. Sir.

M. W. Grand Master, E. Sirs, distinguished guests and visitors all. First of all, R. E. Sir Harold Crocker and R. E. Sir Kenneth Earle, let me thank you at this time for installing the officers of this Grand Commandery with your usual high type and dignity that we can always depend on. I thank you again, R. E. Sirs.

I thank the Sir Knights of this Grand Commandery for having elected me their Grand Commander. I assure you, Sir Knights, that it is no one man job to run this Grand Commandery. I believe that the job is as much a part of

yours as it is the officers of this Grand Commandery. I ask your wholehearted cooperation. I assure you that we in Grand Commandery will give you our wholehearted cooperation. There will be no secret deals of any kind. Anything to be done you Sir Knights will certainly know what goes on in Grand Commandery. We will certainly see that you are well advised.

I will not talk too long, Sir Knights. The hour is getting late. I know the Past Commanders Association is waiting for a meeting but I would like to talk a little bit about plans for the year.

First of all we will go back to Marking Officers this year. We will have four Marking Officers and the Inspector Instructor who will take care of the marking this year.

We will have our exemplification as we have had. We hope to be able to put on and will put on full form Order of the Red Cross and Malta around the Jurisdiction. I believe most all the Sir Knights in Grand Commandery line feel the same as I do. Back around 1953 this was started and it has grown every year and I believe we should continue it because I feel very strongly to the point that any candidates coming in to our Commandery, taking the Orders, the first impression that he gets is the lasting one and the more that we can put on the full form Order of Red Cross and Malta the more lasting impression the candidate will have.

We again, of course, talk in terms of a thousand candidates. Sir Knights, this candidate business of ours is serious. As you know this year we only came up with a net gain of twenty. We started off real well at the beginning of the year last year and I know our Junior Past Grand Commander was very hopeful of making his thousand candidates and we thought that he would. But towards the last end of the term last year they began to drop. We are going to try hard this year to come up with some system for these candidates left over that are not Knighted. We ask you all to give your full cooperation in that matter.

There will be a Triennial this year, as you Sir Knights know, August 12 to 17 at Cleveland, Ohio, in '61 which comes in this Grand Commandery year. We will have more plans about it. We will try to make two different trips. One that the Sir Knights might take and not spend too much time there other than go out and be present for the parade and then we will see if we can have a trip on the way home which has been the usual custom.

Now today we have heard a lot of talk about Rhode Island. I am a Rhode Islander, as I believe you heard today from my good friend Al Blake. I feel very strongly towards Rhode Island, Sir Knights, and I think the time

has come when we should give Rhode Island more help and we certainly in Grand Commandery are going to try to help Rhode Island to see if we can build up there as well as we have in Massachusetts.

Now, Sir Knights, I only have one more message. Along about last April, being a strong believer in the fact that we should have more public appearances in Grand Commandery, that we hide our colors behind a bushel too often, and we should go out and show ourselves more often, and realizing what a marvelous job ten years ago that R. E. Sir Wilson did in running a parade and a Church Service in what was then the Mechanics Building, I went to R. E. Sir Wilson and asked him if I was able to raise the money would he be willing to go along and assist us in running a parade this year. He was very cooperative and very willing to give assistance. We then talked over the situation and made our plans. We came up with an idea of where we would have this parade this year. In talking it over with R. E. Sir Wilson we decided that we would have it in Worcester, Massachusetts, if Worcester was willing to have it. We talked with the powers that be in Worcester and they were very much for it. We set our day for November 6. Everything was going along splendidly and the plans nicely. Thanks to R. E. Sir Dwight C. Page, he endeavored and helped us make our plans in the City of Worcester.

On the week of the Convention in California I received a telephone call which wanted to know if I had given any thought to what effect our having a parade and Church Service in Worcester might have if Kennedy was elected. I said no, that I had not, that I had not given it any thought and why should we? After all we were a non-political organization. Probably there were men in our ranks who would be in uniform marching in that parade who would feel they wanted to vote for Mr. Kennedy. At that time I said let's not cross the bridge; he hasn't been nominated yet. However, as we all know, he was.

Then the situation became very serious and tense. I received several telephone calls. I was invited to a meeting at which I probably appeared to be very stubborn. I couldn't see giving up our plans in Worcester. We had hired bands, hired an auditorium. The pressure got so great, Sir Knights, that it was called by one Sir Knight in Worcester a provocative act on my part if I ran a Church Parade in the City of Worcester which, of course, I did not like.

However, the pressure became so great that we have moved this parade and are going to hold it in Boston on Sunday, October 23rd, at Symphony Hall. We have made all our arrangements and are ready to go. I say this to

you, Sir Knights on the sidelines, that the time has come when we should stand up and be counted and show our colors. If we don't the time is going to come not too far in the future when we might not have the opportunity to stand and show our colors and be counted.

Now, Sir Knights, I ask you all and I urge you all to attend this parade and take part in it on October 23. I realize too that we are also conflicting on October 23rd with what is known as Chapter Sunday. I have been to see the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter and he has assured me that he understands and that it will not conflict because most of their services are held in the morning. I know some Knights Templars have to be at their Chapter affair which is going to be in the afternoon on October 23 but I ask and urge all of you if you can, get your colors there and even though you can't get many where you have to be present at these Chapter affairs and escort them to Church, that there is some way that you can help us participate in this parade we would very much like to have you there. We assure you that we will have a good speaker. We will have as we did ten years ago, Dr. Marsh of Boston University and he is outstanding. I assure you that it will be a service well worthwhile and I ask you all to be there.

Now I almost forgot this, Sir Knights, and I wouldn't dare go home if I hadn't thought of it. I want to congratulate E. Sir Mackey, Captain of the Guard, and the Escort from my own Commandery and I understand there is one man from Ivanhoe so I congratulate him too for the marvelous job they have done acting as Escort here today. I wish you all well.

Now, Grand Recorder, is there anything else to come before the Conclave?

R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS: There is nothing on my desk.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Em. Grand Warder, you will notify the Em. Grand Sentinel that I am about to adjourn the Grand Commandery.

E. Grand Captain of the Guard, form an escort and conduct the M. W. Grand Master from the Asylum. V. E. Deputy Grand Commander, you will form a Committee of Past Grand Commanders to escort the M. W. Grand Master from the Asylum.

(The Escort and Committee escorted the Grand Master from the Asylum.)

Sir Knights, you may be seated.

(The Escort and Committee returned and were dismissed.)

E. Grand Prelate, will you lead our devotions, Sir Knights, attention! Uncover!

REV. AND E. SIR FRANK B. CRANDALL: Now unto God's Mercy and Protection we commit you. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His Face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His Countenance unto you and give you peace both now and forevermore. Amen.

THE GRAND COMMANDER: Sir Knights, recover!

I now declare the One Hundred and Fifty-seventh Annual Conclave of this Grand Commandery adjourned.

(The Grand Commandery was adjourned at 4:50 P. M.)

Courteously submitted,

George A. Weeks.

Grand Recorder

NOTE: A full transcript of the Annual Conclave is on file in Grand Commandery Office.

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October 16, 1959

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GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

AND THE APPENDANT ORDERS OF

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

December 24, 1959

OFFICIAL CIRCULAR No. 2
SERIES 1959-1960

To All Commanders and Recorders:

Sir Knights:

You have already received Preliminary Notice in the December
Templar of a Joint Conclave scheduled for the evening of Saturday,
January 16, 1960, at the Masonic Temple, 51 Boylston Street, Boston,
under the auspices of Grand Commandery.

Program

- 2 P.M. Registration.
- 3 P.M. Ionic Hall, the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross will be
presented in Full Form by Boston Commandery No. 2, Bos-
ton.
- 5 P.M. Pot Roast Dinner by Dora A. Ferguson, Caterer, at \$2.50
each—no free list—capacity is limited to 450 and by ad-
vanced reservation only.
- 6:30 P.M. Order of Malta will be presented in Full Form by De Mo-
lay Commandery No. 7 K. T., Boston

All Commanderies in the Jurisdiction are invited to bring *Candi-
dates* to receive the above Orders.

By ORDER of the Grand Commander, you are requested to HAVE
YOUR RECORDERS notify the Grand Recorder at once as to the
number of *candidates*, if any, you desire to present for the Orders;
and most especially, the number of *dinner tickets* you require. No
tickets will be available except by reservation payable in advance;
with capacity limited, reservations will be filled in the order received.
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO GRAND COMMANDERY K. T.

Please reply promptly.

Courteously yours,

ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY
Grand Commander

(Tear off and mail with your check)

George A. Weeks, Grand Recorder
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1. (Optional) We plan to have candidates present.
2. We desire tickets for dinner at \$2.50 each (Check enclosed).
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ANNUAL CHRISTMAS OFFERING AND GOOD CHEER

"Glory to God in the highest; on earth peace, good will toward men."

Boston, November 1, 1959, A. O. 841

OFFICIAL ORDER No. 1
SERIES 1959-60

To the Eminent Commanders, Officers and Sir Knights of this Grand
Commandery:

Greetings:

As we again approach the anniversary of the birth of our Lord
and Savior, let us open our hearts and rejoice. However, we the for-
tunate must consider the unfortunate, the little underprivileged chil-
dren, the sick and the aged, who but for charity could not rejoice at
this time.

*"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good
works and glorify your Father which is in Heaven."*

As Christian Knights we have a duty and a privilege to help the
less fortunate. It has become the custom during the Christmas Sea-
son for each Sir Knight to contribute as liberally as he can to his
Commandery, for spreading a little cheer and good will.

These monies are expended in their entirety under the direction
of your Commander. Let each Sir Knight donate at least \$1.00 to this
worthy cause.

This Official Order is to be read at the head of the Lines at the
Conclave immediately following its receipt and the results reported to
me on forms furnished by the Grand Commandery.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Grand Commandery on
the first day of November, nineteen hundred fifty-nine, A.O. 841.

Courteously yours,

ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY
Grand Commander

Attest:

GEORGE A. WEEKS
Grand Recorder

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GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

AND THE APPENDANT ORDERS OF

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

August 1, 1960

OFFICIAL ORDER No. 2
SERIES 1959-1960

Re: *Tactics*

To the Eminent Commanders, Division Commanders and Marking
Officers:

Sir Knights:

At a meeting of the INSPECTION AND TACTICS COMMITTEE
of this Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island
held in Grand Commandery Headquarters on Wednesday, June 29,
1960, the following RULES and CHANGES were made in the TAC-
TICS:—

No. 1—Page 67 LAST 2 LINES. THE COLOR AND STANDARD
BEARERS REMAIN AT "CARRY SWORDS" UNTIL THE STAFF
HAS PASSED, THEN COME TO "ORDER SWORDS."

No. 2—Page 86. INSPECTING OFFICER RETIRES.

INSP. OFF: COMMANDERY ATTENTION.

INSP. OFF: EMINENT COMMANDER, and etc. (C hd sal, Insp.
Off. hd sal), HAVING COMPLETED MY INSPECTION DUTIES, I
WILL RETIRE WITH MY SUITE. (C hd sal, Insp. Off. hd sal.)

C: (commands) S.K. SW BR (Sw Br hd sal, C hd sal), FORM
THE SECOND DIVISION. (Sw Br sal, C hd sal).

SW BR: (commands) SECOND DIVISION, FALL IN, RIGHT
DRESS, FRONT, DRAW SWORDS. (Sw Br does not report to the C).

C: (commands without waiting for the 2nd Division to be formed)
S.K. GEN. (G hd sal, C hd sal) FORM THE COMMITTEE AND ES-
CORT THE INSPECTING OFFICER FROM THE ASYLUM. (G hd
sal, C hd sal).

GEN: (commands) COMMITTEE, FALL IN.

C: (commands) S.K. CAPT. GEN. (CG hd sal, C hd sal), FORM
AN ESCORT FOR THE COMMITTEE. (CG hd sal, C hd sal).

CG: (dra swd) (commands) S.K. Cp.Gd., (Cp Gd hd sal, CG swd
sal), FORM THE ESCORT. (Cp Gd hd sal, CG swd sal), (CG returns
sword).

Cp. Gd: (commands) ESCORT, FALL IN, RIGHT, DRESS:
FRONT: COUNT TWOS: DRAW SWORDS.

INSP. OFF: (Commands) DEPUTY GRAND WARDER (DGW
hd sal, INSP. OFF. hd sal). FORM THE SUITE (DGW hd sal, INSP.
OFF. hd sal).

D.G.W.: (dra swd) (commands) SUITE FALL IN.

No. 3—IT WAS FURTHER VOTED, THAT NO NEW CHANGES
SHALL BE MADE IN THE TACTICS FOR A PERIOD OF THREE
YEARS.

It is my ORDER that this communication be read at the next
Conclave following its receipt and spread upon the records. THESE
RULES AND CHANGES TO BE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

Given under my hand and the Seal of this Grand Commandery on this first day of August 1960.

Courteously yours,

ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY
Grand Commander

Attest:

GEORGE A. WEEKS
Grand Recorder

INSPECTION AND TACTICS COMMITTEE

R. E. SIR ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY, *Chairman*
R. E. SIR FREDERIC KENNEDY
R. E. SIR HAROLD S. CROCKER
R. E. SIR GEORGE A. WEEKS
E. SIR PRESCOTT W. EATON

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

AND THE APPENDANT ORDERS OF

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

March 8, 1960

OFFICIAL ORDER No. 3
SERIES 1959-1960

Subject: Dispensations and Release of Jurisdiction

To All Eminent Commnaders and Recorders:

Sir Knights:

In the course of the year certain questions seem to arise periodically and more or less generally throughout the jurisdiction. Most common are those involving Dispensations, Releases of Jurisdiction, and Information desired on Monthly Notices of Conclaves.

The majority of such questions are answered by the following references and extracts from governing regulations, and this Order is issued for your information and guidance (and must be adhered to).

Dispensations, refer to Section 48-F—Par. 1 and Par. 2 Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment of K. T. of the United States of America, and Article VIII, Section 2-F—Par. 1 and Par. 2 of the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of the K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Duties of the Grand Commander

To grant Dispensations to the Constituent Commanderies as follows:

Dispensations:

Only the Grand Commander is authorized to make special dispensations. All requests for dispensations must be sent direct to the office of the Grand Recorder, Masonic Temple, 51 Boylston Street, Boston 16, Mass.

1. To hold Special Conclaves for the conferring of the Orders at places within their jurisdictions other than those named in their Charters, and

2. To permit them to receive petitions and ballot thereon at the same Conclave or at Special Conclaves, after such notice as he may deem proper.

ARTICLE XIV—Sec. 1. "No petition may be balloted on in less than two weeks from presentation to the Commandery, provided that the Grand Commander may by Dispensation authorize the presentation of the ballot upon such petition at the same Conclave." (No Dispensation needed for working the Orders.)

Section 214. Commanderies shall not appear in public without a Dispensation except upon funeral occasions or to attend religious services.

Section 215. "The determination of what is a proper occasion for a Commandery to appear in public belongs to the Grand Commander as to the Constituent Commanderies."

NOTE: Neither a Grand Master or a Grand Commander can change the Stated Conclave of a Commandery by Dispensation. (This is governed by your own By-Laws.)

All names and addresses of petitions for the Orders, Affiliations or Membership must be borne on the Dispensation (so that a complete record may be had) and all names and addresses of applicants should be borne on the Stated Conclave Notice, unless covered by Dispensation from the Grand Commander.

Release of Jurisdiction

Section 82. "No Commandery may confer the Orders, or any one of them, unless the consent of the Commandery having territorial jurisdiction is first obtained. (In the event of a violation of this section the Commandery offending shall pay to the Commandery having territorial Jurisdiction the fees received for such admission and be subject to such other penalties as may be provided by law.)"

NOTE: Several Commanderies have voted upon petitions where the names were not carried upon their notices and a Dispensation had not been requested or granted. Also that some Commanderies have voted upon petitions without first receiving release of jurisdiction. See Section 82 of Grand Encampment Statutes and Grand Commandery Article XVII where jurisdiction of Constituent Commanderies may be found. (Do not vote unless release is granted.)

Section 210. "Correspondence between Commanderies of different Grand Commanderies must be conducted through their respective Grand Commanders, except in cases of petitions for waiver of jurisdiction."

Knightings:

Bear in mind that our monthly record of petitions, knightings, and membership applications is compiled directly from the information given on your Monthly Notices of Conclaves. Proper credit cannot be given unless the names of your petitions, etc. appear.

Remember, knight every candidate which you have petitioned. The number of knightings recorded in your returns on June 30th will determine your net gain. While you are credited in your year with the petitions against your quota, in the final analysis only those knighted are counted in the annual returns that you are required to make.

This Official Order to be read at the head of the line at the Conclave immediately following its receipt.

Given under my hand and seal of this Grand Commandery on this 8th day of March, 1960, A.O. 842.

Courteously yours,

ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY,
Grand Commander

Attest:

GEORGE A. WEEKS
Grand Recorder

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

AND THE APPENDANT ORDERS OF

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

Boston, Mass., September 1, 1960

OFFICIAL ORDER No. 4
SERIES 1959-1960

Re: Grand Commandery Parade and Church Ceremony

To the Eminent Commanders and the Recorders:

Sir Knights:

You are hereby requested to carry the following on your COMMANDERY NOTICE:—

"Due to peculiar developments beyond the control and comprehension of our Deputy Grand Commander, Sir Knight Clarence E. Booth, it has become necessary to CHANGE the date and place of the GRAND COMMANDERY PARADE and CHURCH CEREMONY scheduled for Sunday afternoon, November 6, 1960 in Worcester, Massachusetts to: *Sunday Afternoon, October 23, 1960, Symphony Hall, Boston, Massachusetts.*"

Full details will be mailed to your Recorder for enclosure with your Commandery Notices to your Sir Knights.

This is a DIRECT APPEAL TO YOUR SIR KNIGHTS TO PROVE THAT THE GREATEST PROTESTANT CHRISTIAN FRATERNAL ORDER ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH IS STILL STRONG AND VIGOROUS AND LOYAL TO ALL THE PRINCIPLES OF CHRISTIAN KNIGHTHOOD.

Courteously yours,

ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY
Grand Commander

Attest:

GEORGE A. WEEKS
Grand Recorder

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

AND THE APPENDANT ORDERS OF

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

December 11, 1959

OFFICIAL LETTER No. 1
SERIES 1959-1960

To the Eminent Commanders and Recorders:

Sir Knights:

It has been called to my attention that several of the Commanderies have voted upon Petitions for the Orders where the names were

not carried upon their Conclave Notices or a Dispensation had not been requested or granted. Also that some Commanderies have voted upon Petitions without first receiving a Release of Jurisdiction—see Section 82 of the Grand Encampment Statutes and Regulations where the Jurisdiction of the Constituent Commanderies may be found.

All names and addresses of petitioners for the ORDERS, AFFILIATIONS, AND MEMBERSHIP must be borne on the Dispensation (so that a complete record may be had) and all names and addresses of applicants should be borne on the Stated Conclave Notice, unless covered by a Dispensation from the Grand Commander.

Bear in mind that our monthly record of Petitions, Knightings and Membership applications is compiled directly from the information given on your Monthly Conclave Notices. Proper credit cannot be given unless the names of your petitioners and etc. appear.

We are attaching a copy of OFFICIAL ORDER No. 6, Series 1957-1958 issued under date of March 15, 1958.

Courteously yours,

ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY
Grand Commander

March 14, 1958

OFFICIAL ORDER No. 6
SERIES 1957-1958

Subject: Dispensations and Release of Jurisdiction

To All Eminent Commanders and Recorders:

Sir Knights:

In the course of the year certain questions seem to arise periodically and more or less generally throughout the jurisdiction. Most common are those involving Dispensations, Releases of Jurisdiction, Information desired on Monthly Notices of Conclaves, Rulings on Suspensions and Demits, and on Correspondence with other Grand Jurisdictions.

The majority of such questions are answered by the following references and extracts from governing regulations and this order is issued for your information and guidance.

Dispensations, refer to Section 48-F—Par. 1 and Par. 2 Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment of K.T. of the United States of America, and Article VIII Section 2-F—Par. 1 and Par. 2 of the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of the K.T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Duties of the Grand Commander

To grant Dispensations to the Constituent Commanderies

1. To hold Special Conclaves for the conferring of the Orders at places within their jurisdictions other than those named in their Charters, and

2. To permit them to receive petitions and ballot thereon at the same Conclave or at Special Conclaves, after such notice as he may deem proper.

Article XVI—Sec. 1 "No petition may be balloted on in less than two weeks from presentation to the Commandery, provided that the Grand Commander may by Dispensation authorize the presentation of the ballot upon such petition at the same Conclave."

Section 214. Commanderies shall not appear in public without a Dispensation except upon funeral occasions or to attend religious services.

Section 215. "The determination of what is a proper occasion for a Commandery to appear in public belongs to the Grand Commander as to the Constituent Commanderies."

NOTE. Neither a Grand Master or a Grand Commander can change the Stated Conclave of a Commandery by Dispensation. (This is governed by your own By-Laws.)

Release of Jurisdiction

Section 82. "No Commandery may confer the Orders, or any one of them, upon any Sojourner unless the consent of the Commandery having territorial jurisdiction is first obtained. In the event of a violation of this section the Commandery offending shall pay to the Commandery having territorial Jurisdiction the fees received for such admission and be subject to such other penalties as may be provided by law."

NOTE. It has been called to my attention that several Commanderies have voted upon petitions where the names were not carried upon their notices and a Dispensation had not been requested or granted. Also that some Commanderies have voted upon petitions without first receiving release of jurisdiction. See Section 82 of Grand Encampment Statutes and Grand Commandery Article XVII where jurisdiction of Constituent Commanderies may be found.

NOTE: All names and addresses of petitions for the Orders, Affiliations or Membership must be borne on the Dispensation (so that a complete record may be had) and all names and addresses of applicants should be borne on the Stated Conclave Notices, unless covered by Dispensation from the Grand Commander.

Bear in mind that our monthly record of petitions, knightings, and membership applications is compiled directly from the information given on your Monthly Notices of Conclaves. Proper credit cannot be given unless the names of your petitioners, etc. appear.

Section 180. "A Petition whether for the Orders or Membership shall be referred to a Committee of Three Members of the Commandery, who shall report in writing as to whether the prayer of the Petitioner should be granted. No ballot thereon shall be had until a report has been made."

Section 191. "A Knight Templar desiring to affiliate with a Commandery must file a Petition for Membership, together with a Demit or its equivalent, which shall be retained by the Commandery petitioned if the Petitioner is elected to membership; if rejected, the Demit, or its equivalent, shall be returned to the Petitioner."

Section 201. "Voluntary non-affiliation in a Lodge or Chapter for six months shall deprive a Knight Templar of his membership in the Commandery after due notice and hearing."

Section 203. "When a Knight Templar has been suspended or expelled from his Commandery solely because of his suspension or expulsion from his Lodge or Chapter, restoration in such Lodge or Chapter shall entitle him to restoration in his Commandery on written application therefor and a majority vote at a Stated Conclave."

"When he has been suspended from his Commandery solely because of non-payment of dues to the Commandery, he may be restored to membership on a written application therefor and a majority vote at a Stated Conclave and payment of such part of his dues in arrears as the Commandery may require."

Section 205. "Suspension or expulsion of a Knight Templar by the Grand Encampment, by a Grand Commandery, or by a Commandery deprives him of membership in the Commandery and all rights and privileges of Knighthood so long as the judgment remains in force."

Section 210. "Correspondence between Commanderies of different Grand Commanderies must be conducted through their respective Grand Commanders, except in cases of petitions for waiver of jurisdiction."

This Official Order is to be read at the head of the lines at the Conclave immediately following its receipt.

Given under my hand and seal of this Grand Commandery this 14th day of March, 1958. A.O. 840.

Courteously yours,

DWIGHT C. PAGE
Grand Commander

Attest:

GEORGE A. WEEKS
Grand Recorder

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR AND THE APPENDANT ORDERS OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

February 18, 1960

OFFICIAL LETTER No. 2
SERIES 1959-1960

Re: *Semi-Annual Conclave*

To the Grand Commandery Officers, Commanders and Recorders:

Sir Knights:

Excerpts from the Report of the Jurisprudence Committee of this Grand Commandery K. T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island (which is a lengthy report):

"Substantial conflict exists between the pre-existing By-laws of the unincorporated Grand Commandery, and the By-laws proposed at the Semi-Annual Conclave and Article IV of the By-laws of the Grand Commandery Corporation:

"ARTICLE IV of the Corporate By-laws for an Annual Conclave in October in Boston, a Stated Conclave in May and made provisions for Special Conclave.

"With respect to the Stated May Conclave (if one is retained) and Special Conclaves, a discretionary provision permitting (though not requiring) them to be held anywhere in the Grand Jurisdiction (and hence, possibly in Rhode Island) would not be nearly as objectionable as such a provision with respect to the Annual Conclave. I do, however, have some doubt as to the wisdom of out-of-State Conclaves in any event and would certainly feel that any Conclave at which important and/or controversial matters are to be considered ought to be held within the Commonwealth."

In order to comply with the existing ARTICLE IV, Section 1 of the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Commandery, and to carry out the provisions of the report, there will be a *Special Conclave* held on *Saturday, May 7, 1960*, in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, and due notice will be given of same.

Appointment

This will also notify you that I have appointed, as a member of the Finance Committee of this Grand Commandery, Eminent Sir Edward Norris, Past Commander of Hugh de Payens Commandery No.

20 K.T. to fill the unexpired term of Eminent Sir Leon L. Allen (deceased) and R. E. Sir Harold W. Sprague, P. G. C., as Chairman of the Finance Committee for this fiscal year.

Courteously yours,

ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY
Grand Commander

Attest:

GEORGE A. WEEKS
Grand Recorder

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
AND THE APPENDANT ORDERS OF
MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

March 2, 1960

OFFICIAL LETTER No. 3
SERIES 1959-1960

To All Division Commanders and Grand Commandery Officers:

Sir Knights:

As Division Commander you are the personal representative of the Grand Commander to the Commanderies, comprising your Division, and as such you have an important responsibility.

It has been called to my attention that some of the Division Commanders have been more or less lax in carrying out the instructions outlined by your Grand Commander at the start of the year. Therefore it is necessary for me to call some of these instructions to your attention and insist that they be adhered to.

First, be sure to send a blank inspection report to the recorder well in advance of your preliminary visit.

Special attention should be given to the matter of Rituals not presented, receipted for, or reported missing. Replacement of missing Rituals must be insisted upon. All Rituals are the property of Grand Encampment and must be accounted for or a \$10.00 fee paid for replacement. Grand Encampment Regulations require that the following Officers be issued Rituals: Commander, Generalissimo, Captain General, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Prelate, Recorder, Standard Bearer, Sword Bearer, Warder, and Sentinel.

Third, if an emergency should arise or other conditions prevent you from making the scheduled inspection of a Commandery in your Division, the Grand Recorder must be notified immediately, that suitable arrangements may be made. Also, if any Division Commander is unable to mark a certain Commandery due to the fact that he is a regular or honorary member, he must contact the Grand Recorder in ample time so that a suitable marking officer may be assigned. No one is eligible to mark a Commandery except the Division Commander or the Inspector Instructor if assigned by the Grand Commandery office (or the Senior Grand Commandery Officer present).

Only the Grand Commander is authorized to make special dispensations. However, all requests for such dispensations must be made direct to the office of the Grand Recorder, Masonic Temple, 51 Boylston St., Boston 16, Mass. Each Division Commander should so instruct his respective Commanderies.

It is the duty of the Division Commander to ascertain that both the Commander and the Recorder have the latest issue of the Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment. Suggest that latest

editions may be obtained in Grand Commandery office; cost \$1.75 each.

Finally, all existing appointments to the Grand Lines and Committees, except those covered in our Constitutions, can be terminated at the pleasure of the Grand Commander, and they automatically expire at the conclusion of his term of office.

Courteously yours,

ELLIOTT N. HOLLEY
Grand Commander

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
AND THE APPENDANT ORDERS OF
MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

February 12, 1960

OFFICIAL BULLETIN No. 1
SERIES 1959-1960

Re: Easter Sunrise Service

To the Grand Commandery Officers and Recorders:

Greetings:

Enclosed find a reproduced letter sent by the Committee on Easter Sunrise Service, sponsored by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.

I have been directed by our Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Knight Elliott N. Holley, to advise you that it is his desire that you carry on your Stated Conclave Notices as follows:—

"The Thirtieth Annual Arlington Easter Sunrise Memorial Service will be held in the Amphitheatre of Arlington National Cemetery on Easter Sunday morning, April 17, 1960. The assembly in full Templar uniform will begin at 6:50 o'clock Sharp at the West Gate of the Cemetery (near Fort Myer). The lines will move promptly at 7:00 A. M., for the march to the Amphitheatre.

"Tickets may be procured from Sir Kt. Raymond N. Babcock, P. G. C., Masonic Temple, 801 Thirteenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C."

Division Commanders will give the above date all possible publicity in their Divisions.

Courteously yours,

GEORGE A. WEEKS
Grand Recorder

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

THE COMMITTEE ON ARLINGTON EASTER SUNRISE MEMORIAL SERVICE

Raymond N. Babcock, P. G. C. (D. C.), Chairman, Masonic Temple,
801 Thirteenth St., N. W., Washington 5, D. C.
Lloyd O. Miller, G. C. (D. C.), Vice-Chairman

February 1, 1960

To Grand Encampment Officers and Committeemen, Grand Commanders, Deputy Grand Commanders and Grand Recorders:

Arrangements are being made for the thirtieth Annual Arlington Easter Sunrise Memorial Service to be held under the auspices of the

Grand Encampment. The Service will begin promptly at 7:30 a. m., in the Amphitheater of Arlington National Cemetery on Easter Sunday morning, April 17, 1960. The assembly in full Templar uniform will begin at 6:50 o'clock sharp at the West Gate of the Cemetery (near Fort Myer). The lines will move promptly at 7:00 a. m., for the march to the Amphitheater.

The ceremony of laying the traditional Cross of Lilies at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers will conclude the Service. Music will be furnished by the U. S. Marine Band and arrangements are being made to have the Service broadcast or televised on a nation-wide network. The address on this occasion will be delivered by Rev. Howard R. Towne, Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Michigan and an excellent speaker.

A very cordial invitation is extended to you to participate, *and the Committee especially requests that you give this invitation all possible publicity in your jurisdiction.* More and more Knights in uniform from the various Grand Commanderies are making the pilgrimage to Washington, D. C., to attend this Service at Easter time. Reserved seats will be provided for those accompanying you not in uniform upon request. Besides our usual large pilgrimages from the Eastern States, Michigan Commanderies plan to come in large numbers and Detroit Commandery No. 1 Drill Team plans to give an Exhibition Drill on Saturday, April 16, 1960, at 3:00 p. m. at the Monument Grounds.

The Committee will be happy to make any hotel reservations for Sir Knights in uniform and their party at the Washington and Willard Hotels, but I must urge that you advise us as early as possible as hotel accommodations are at a premium during this season.

After the Service the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia will sponsor a breakfast (about 9:00 a. m.) for the Sir Knights and their ladies, at the Willard Hotel, next door to the Washington Hotel. Tickets are \$2.50 each, and we shall be glad to send you tickets if you will forward to the Committee your check for the required amount made payable to Rodger R. Kauffman, Grand Recorder.

Looking forward to greeting you and as many of your Sir Knights as can possibly be present, I am,

Courteously yours,

RAYMOND N. BABCOCK
Chairman

ADDENDA

PRECEDENCE OF GRAND COMMANDERIES BASED UPON THE
DATE OF THEIR RESPECTIVE ORGANIZATIONS

1. MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.....May 6, 1805
2. NEW YORK June 18, 1814
3. VIRGINIA Nov. 27, 1823
4. VERMONT June 27, 1824
5. NEW HAMPSHIRE June 13, 1826
6. CONNECTICUT Sept. 13, 1827
7. OHIO Oct. 24, 1843
8. KENTUCKY Oct. 15, 1847
9. MAINE May 5, 1852
10. PENNSYLVANIA April 12, 1854
11. INDIANA May 16, 1854
12. TEXAS Jan. 18, 1855
13. MISSISSIPPI Jan. 21, 1857
14. MICHIGAN April 7, 1857
15. ILLINOIS Oct. 27, 1857
16. CALIFORNIA Aug. 10, 1858
17. TENNESSEE Oct. 12, 1859
18. WISCONSIN Oct. 20, 1859
19. NEW JERSEY Feb. 14, 1860
20. GEORGIA April 25, 1860
21. MISSOURI May 22, 1860
22. ALABAMA Nov. 29, 1860
23. LOUISIANA Feb. 12, 1864
24. IOWA June 6, 1864
25. MINNESOTA Oct. 23, 1865
26. KANSAS Dec. 29, 1868
27. MARYLAND Jan. 23, 1871
28. NEBRASKA Dec. 27, 1871
29. ARKANSAS Mar. 23, 1872
30. WEST VIRGINIA Feb. 25, 1874
31. COLORADO Mar. 14, 1876
32. NORTH CAROLINA May 10, 1881
33. SOUTH DAKOTA May 14, 1884
34. OREGON April 13, 1887
35. WASHINGTON June 2, 1887
36. WYOMING Mar. 7, 1888
37. MONTANA May 14, 1888
38. NORTH DAKOTA June 16, 1890
39. ARIZONA Nov. 16, 1893
40. FLORIDA Aug. 15, 1895
41. *INDIAN TERRITORY Dec. 27, 1895
42. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Jan. 14, 1896
43. *OKLAHOMA Feb. 10, 1896
44. NEW MEXICO Aug. 21, 1901
45. IDAHO Aug. 31, 1904
46. SOUTH CAROLINA Mar. 25, 1907
47. UTAH April 20, 1910
48. NEVADA April 15, 1918

(*Consolidated October 6, 1911, as the Grand Commandery of Oklahoma.)

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of the

United States of America

1958-1961

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Tennessee	Bert Atwater	Masonic Temple, Salt Lake City
Texas	Aaron H. Grout	Masonic Temple, Burlington
Utah	Carl Frank Wood	P. O. Box 546, Petersburg
Vermont	Clifford L. Evans	254 Olympia Nat'l Bldg., 914 2nd Ave., Seattle 4
Virginia	Robert H. Bowlby	Box 637, Morgantown
Washington	Earl B. Bauer	207 E. Mich. St., Milwaukee 2
West Virginia	Frederick Sims	Masonic Temple, Casper
Wisconsin		
Wyoming		

GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICIAL INSPECTIONS

NAME OF COMMANDERY	No.	MEMBERS PRESENT	VISITORS	SUITE	TOTAL	ANNUAL DUES	LIFE MEMBERS	DATE OF INSPECTION	MARK	INSPECTING OFFICER
St. John's	1	158	7	51	216	7.00	140.00	Feb. 1, 1960	10	Louis A. Beaudoin
Boston	2	372	10	71	453	10.00	150.00	Mar. 16, 1960	10	Louis A. Beaudoin
Newburyport	3	114	12	65	191	10.00	150.00	Jan. 21, 1960	10	Louis A. Beaudoin
Washington	4	31	0	14	45	7.00	90.00	May 18, 1960	9	Louis A. Beaudoin
Worcester County	5	219	9	33	261	10.00	200.00	Apr. 7, 1960	10	Louis A. Beaudoin
Springfield	6	81	8	19	108	10.00	150.00	Feb. 8, 1960	9+	Louis A. Beaudoin
De Molay	7	217	7	70	294	10.00	200.00	Nov. 25, 1959	10	Louis A. Beaudoin
Holy Sepulchre	8	126	5	48	179	10.00	165.00	Mar. 18, 1960	10	Gilbert C. Machon
Pilgrim	9	98	13	21	132	11.00	150.00	Jan. 19, 1960	10	Gilbert C. Machon
Palestine	10	45	8	26	79	10.00	135.00	Nov. 11, 1959	10	Gilbert C. Machon
Milford	11	62	5	25	92	9.00	150.00	Apr. 26, 1960	10	Gilbert C. Machon
St. Bernard	12	54	3	14	71	40.00	750.00	Feb. 10, 1960	10	Gilbert C. Machon
Calvary	13	110	6	38	154	6.00	90.00	Mar. 15, 1960	9+	Gilbert C. Machon
Haverhill	14	139	17	41	197	8.00	120.00	Apr. 12, 1960	10	Gilbert C. Machon
Old Colony	15	45	4	19	68	5.00	75.00	Apr. 25, 1960	10	Russell R. Long
Sutton	16	197	6	60	263	7.00	105.00	Dec. 3, 1959	10	Russell R. Long
Bethany	17	44	10	23	77	10.00	150.00	Feb. 29, 1960	9+	Russell R. Long
Winslow Lewis	18	62	1	28	91	8.00	160.00	Feb. 18, 1960	9	Russell R. Long
Jerusalem	19	75	7	44	126	10.00	135.00	Apr. 21, 1960	10	Russell R. Long
Hugh De Payens	20	172	22	49	243	9.00	120.00	Jan. 18, 1960	9	Russell R. Long
St. Omer	21	80	8	26	114	8.00	100.00	Apr. 13, 1960	9	G. Burton Long
Berkshire	22	76	4	33	113	6.00	90.00	Nov. 3, 1959	9+	G. Burton Long
Connecticut Valley	23	42	3	18	63	7.00	105.00	Feb. 9, 1960	9	Elliott N. Holley
Woonsocket	24	50	0	11	61	9.00	150.00	Nov. 18, 1959	9+	G. Burton Long
Godfrey De Bouillon	25	45	4	26	75	7.00	150.00	Mar. 7, 1960	9+	G. Burton Long
Joseph Warren	26	47	7	27	81	10.00	75.00	Mar. 2, 1960	10	Herman C. McStay
Narragansett	27	57	1	21	79	5.00	90.00	Feb. 5, 1960	8+	Herman C. McStay
Bristol	29	96	10	68	174	8.00	120.00	Jan. 20, 1960	9	Herman C. McStay
Northampton	30	39	3	15	57	8.00	120.00	Mar. 20, 1960	9	Herman C. McStay
South Shore	31	55	7	40	102	6.00	150.00	Apr. 20, 1960	10	Herman C. McStay
Trinity	32	47	4	11	62	7.00	105.00	Feb. 17, 1960	10	Herman C. McStay
Naatic	33	105	16	60	181	12.00	180.00	Feb. 23, 1960	10	Raymond D. Douglass
Coeur De Lion	34	132	13	39	188	7.00	150.00	Nov. 12, 1959	9+	George C. Patton, Jr.
Cethemane	35	190	5	40	235	7.00	175.00	Nov. 16, 1959	10	George C. Patton, Jr.
Olivet	36	142	11	38	191	6.00	150.00	Apr. 23, 1960	10	George C. Patton, Jr.
Athol	37	51	10	27	88	7.00	150.00	May 22, 1960	9	George C. Patton, Jr.
Day State	38	131	12	46	189	8.00	128.00	Feb. 22, 1960	10	George C. Patton, Jr.
Cyprus	39	49	3	29	81	10.00	200.00	Mar. 22, 1960	10	George C. Patton, Jr.
St. Paul	40	85	20	44	159	8.00	150.00	Apr. 11, 1960	10	Gordon C. Player
Beaumont	41	42	1	26	69	10.00	90.00	Feb. 26, 1960	10	Gordon C. Player
Cambridge	42	79	43	53	175	6.00	105.00	Oct. 29, 1959	10	Clarence E. Booth
Bethlehem	43	46	30	42	118	7.00	120.00	Dec. 10, 1959	9+	Gordon C. Player
Orange	45	102	39	46	187	6.00	103.00	Jan. 11, 1960	10	Gordon C. Player
Ivanhoe	46	112	6	50	168	7.00	120.00	Apr. 18, 1960	10	Gordon C. Player
Quincy	47	52	7	51	105	6.00	120.00	Nov. 20, 1959	10	Gordon C. Player
Temple	48	45	4	4	56	10.00	130.00	Feb. 15, 1960	10	Gordon C. Player
St. Andrew	49	122	30	69	221	8.00	120.00			
Reading	50	66	2	32	118					
Thomas Smith Webb	51	44	1	32	77					
Sir Galahad	52									

* Due to fire damage no inspection held.
† No mark given.

CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES

NAME OF COMMANDERY	No.	LOCATION OF COMMANDERY	DATE OF CHARTER	STATED CONCLAVE	ELECTION OF OFFICERS	ANNUAL CONCLAVE	INSTALLATION
St. John's.....	1	Providence, R. I.....	Oct. 7, 1805	1st Mon.	June	Oct.	Oct.
Boston.....	2	Boston, Mass.....	Mar. 3, 1806	3rd Wed.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.
Newburyport.....	3	Newburyport, Mass.....	May 19, 1808	3rd Thurs.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Washington.....	4	Newport, R. I.....	June 7, 1814	3rd Wed.	June	June	June
Worcester County.....	5	Worcester, Mass.....	Dec. 17, 1824	1st Thurs.	June	June	June
Springfield.....	6	Springfield, Mass.....	June 19, 1826	1st Mon.	June	June	June
DeMolay.....	7	Boston, Mass.....	Oct. 10, 1848	4th Wed.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Holy Sepulchre.....	8	Pawtucket, R. I.....	Oct. 10, 1848	3rd Fri.	June	June	June
Pilgrim.....	9	Lowell, Mass.....	Oct. 10, 1855	4th Wed.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.
Palestine.....	10	Chelsea, Mass.....	Oct. 28, 1859	2nd Wed.	May	May	May
Milford.....	11	Milford, Mass.....	Oct. 28, 1859	4th Tues.	June	June	June
St. Bernard.....	12	Boston, Mass.....	Oct. 28, 1859	2nd Wed.	May	May	May
Calvary.....	13	Providence, R. I.....	May 22, 1860	3rd Tues.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Haverhill.....	14	Haverhill, Mass.....	May 13, 1863	2nd Tues.	June	June	June
Old Colony.....	15	Abington, Mass.....	Oct. 26, 1863	4th Mon.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Sutton.....	16	New Bedford, Mass.....	Mar. 4, 1864	1st Thurs.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Bethany.....	17	Lawrence, Mass.....	June 1, 1864	Last Mon.	May	May	Sept.
Winslow Lewis.....	18	Salem, Mass.....	Mar. 3, 1865	3rd Thurs.	June	Oct.	Oct.
Jerusalem.....	19	Fitchburg, Mass.....	Mar. 8, 1865	3rd Thurs.	June	June	Sept.
Hugh de Payens.....	20	Melrose, Mass.....	Mar. 27, 1865	2nd Wed.	June	Sept.	Sept.
St. Omer.....	21	Dorchester, Mass.....	Sept. 30, 1865	3rd Mon.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.
Berkshire.....	22	Pittsfield, Mass.....	Dec. 22, 1865	2nd Mon.	June	June	June
Connecticut Valley.....	23	Greenfield, Mass.....	May 22, 1866	1st Tues.	June	June	June
Woonsocket.....	24	Woonsocket, R. I.....	Jan. 31, 1867	2nd Tues.	June	June	June
Godfrey de Bouillon.....	25	Fall River, Mass.....	May 29, 1868	3rd Wed.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.
Joseph Warren.....	26	Roxbury, Mass.....	Jan. 1, 1869	1st Mon.	June	June	June
Narragansett.....	27	Westerly, R. I.....	May 12, 1869	1st Wed.	June	June	Oct.
William Parkman.....	28	East Boston, Mass.....	May 12, 1870				
Bristol.....	29	Attleboro, Mass.....	May 28, 1870	1st Fri.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Northampton.....	30	Northampton, Mass.....	June 2, 1870	2nd Mon.	June	June	June
South Shore.....	31	E. Weymouth, Mass.....	June 9, 1870	4th Thurs.	June	June	Sept.
Trinity.....	32	Hudson, Mass.....	April 7, 1871	3rd Wed.	June	June	Sept.
Natick.....	33	Natick, Mass.....	April 12, 1871	2nd Mon.	June	June	Oct.
Coeur de Lion.....	34	Medford, Mass.....	Oct. 14, 1871	3rd Wed.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Gethsemane.....	35	Newtonville, Mass.....	May 20, 1872	4th Tues.	June	June	June
Olivet.....	36	Lynn, Mass.....	Mar. 13, 1873	2nd Thurs.	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.
Athol.....	37	Athol, Mass.....	June 7, 1873	2nd Wed.	June	June	June
Bay State.....	38	Brockton, Mass.....	Sept. 13, 1873	3rd Mon.	June	June	June
Cyprus.....	39	Hyde Park, Mass.....	Oct. 31, 1873	4th Thurs.	May	Sept.	Sept.
St. Paul.....	40	North Adams, Mass.....	Jan. 19, 1882	2nd Fri.	June	June	June
Beauseant.....	41	Malden, Mass.....	Oct. 20, 1886	4th Mon.	June	June	June
Cambridge.....	42	Cambridge, Mass.....	May 28, 1890	4th Tues.	June	June	Sept.
Bethlehem.....	43	Gloucester, Mass.....	Oct. 29, 1890	2nd Mon.	June	Sept.	Sept.
St. George.....	44	Beverly, Mass.....	Oct. 23, 1892				
Orange.....	45	Orange, Mass.....	Oct. 26, 1893	Last Fri.	June	June	June
Ivanhoe.....	46	Gardner, Mass.....	Oct. 31, 1896	1st Thurs.	June	June	June
Quincy.....	47	Quincy, Mass.....	Feb. 20, 1911	4th Mon.	June	June	June
Temple.....	48	Norwood, Mass.....	Oct. 22, 1919	2nd Thurs.	June	Sept.	Sept.
St. Andrew.....	49	Holyoke, Mass.....	Oct. 28, 1920	3rd Mon.	June	June	Sept.
Reading.....	50	Reading, Mass.....	Jan. 14, 1921	2nd Mon.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Thomas Smith Webb.....	51	Cranston, R. I.....	May 6, 1921	3rd Fri.	June	Sept.	Sept.
Sir Galahad.....	52	Waltham, Mass.....	May 31, 1922	3rd Mon.	June	June	Sept.
Winthrop.....	53	Winthrop, Mass.....	June 21, 1924				

* Consolidated with Boston Commandery February 21, 1940.

† Charter arrested July 17, 1945.

‡ Consolidated with Boston Commandery February 20, 1952.

GRAND COMMANDERY MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

NAME OF COMMANDERY	Number	Member-ship Last Year	Member-ship This Year	Admitted	Affiliated	Re-instated	Dismissed	Suspended	Errors	Died	Fees at \$5.00	Per Capita at \$1.00	G.E. Eye Assessment	TOTAL
St. John's.....	1	606	586	6	0	0	2	6	0	18	30.00	586.00	580.00	1,196.00
Boston.....	2	1,216	1,221	47	3	0	7	11	0	28	235.00	1,221.00	1,200.00	2,665.00
Newburyport.....	3	302	311	20	1	0	0	3	0	9	100.00	311.00	300.00	711.00
Washington.....	4	100	94	2	0	0	0	1	0	7	10.00	94.00	100.00	204.00
Worcester County.....	5	716	712	26	0	0	9	2	0	19	130.00	712.00	706.00	1,548.00
Springfield.....	6	514	495	18	2	0	4	7	0	26	90.00	495.00	494.00	1,079.00
De Molay.....	7	806	823	35	2	0	6	2	0	14	175.00	823.00	822.00	1,780.00
Holy Sepulchre.....	8	352	358	23	0	0	4	2	-2	9	115.00	358.00	356.00	809.00
Pilgrim.....	9	256	314	37	0	1	1	0	0	8	50.00	314.00	313.00	772.00
Palestine.....	10	205	213	10	1	0	0	0	0	3	40.00	213.00	205.00	468.00
Milford.....	11	167	171	8	1	0	2	0	0	2	15.00	171.00	160.00	371.00
St. Bernard.....	12	95	92	3	1	0	0	0	0	2	25.00	92.00	95.00	202.00
Calvary.....	13	614	583	5	0	0	0	0	0	10	583.00	583.00	568.00	1,176.00
Haverhill.....	14	386	394	15	1	0	0	0	0	8	394.00	394.00	346.00	815.00
Old Colony.....	15	211	215	12	0	0	0	0	0	7	60.00	215.00	207.00	482.00
Sutton.....	16	553	556	23	1	0	6	8	-1	7	115.00	556.00	546.00	1,217.00
Bethany.....	17	147	149	6	0	0	0	0	0	4	30.00	149.00	143.00	322.00
Winslow Lewis.....	18	204	200	5	0	0	0	1	0	6	25.00	200.00	192.00	417.00
Jerusalem.....	19	296	304	18	1	0	2	4	0	6	90.00	304.00	277.00	671.00
Hugh de Payens.....	20	589	577	16	0	2	2	4	0	21	25.00	577.00	573.00	1,230.00
St. Omer.....	21	304	299	5	0	1	0	4	0	7	25.00	299.00	288.00	612.00
Berkshire.....	22	265	284	30	1	0	0	4	0	6	150.00	284.00	281.00	665.00
Woonsocket.....	23	141	133	2	0	0	2	3	0	5	10.00	133.00	127.00	270.00
Godfrey de Bouillon.....	24	171	152	1	0	0	0	9	0	5	5.00	152.00	146.00	303.00
Joseph Warren.....	25	122	128	13	0	0	0	0	0	5	65.00	128.00	121.00	314.00
Narragansett.....	26	160	165	10	3	0	2	2	0	3	50.00	165.00	147.00	362.00
Bristol.....	27	187	190	9	0	0	2	2	0	3	45.00	190.00	184.00	419.00
Northampton.....	28	263	272	19	1	0	1	4	0	7	95.00	272.00	260.00	627.00
South Shore.....	29	114	114	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	5.00	114.00	107.00	256.00
Trinity.....	30	163	155	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	8.00	155.00	153.00	318.00
Coeur de Lion.....	31	186	191	16	1	0	1	4	0	6	10.00	191.00	183.00	454.00
Gethsemane.....	32	368	377	21	4	0	0	2	0	8	145.00	377.00	359.00	801.00
Olivet.....	33	442	471	22	1	0	1	0	0	13	105.00	471.00	472.00	1,053.00
Athol.....	34	372	418	8	0	1	7	3	0	23	40.00	418.00	428.00	886.00
Bay State.....	35	127	128	7	0	0	0	0	0	17	35.00	128.00	126.00	289.00
Cyprus.....	36	372	378	19	0	0	3	0	0	3	95.00	378.00	356.00	823.00
St. Paul.....	37	159	161	15	0	0	1	5	0	5	75.00	161.00	146.00	382.00
Brauseant.....	38	326	312	10	1	0	0	0	0	4	5.00	312.00	319.00*	219.00*
Bethlehem.....	39	142	145	6	0	0	0	0	0	21	30.00	145.00	128.00	676.00
Orange.....	40	168	180	11	0	0	0	0	0	2	55.00	180.00	159.00	434.00
Ivanhoe.....	41	62	69	11	0	0	4	1	0	2	69.00	69.00	62.00	186.00
Quincy.....	42	255	260	18	0	0	6	2	0	4	35.00	260.00	242.00	592.00
Temple.....	43	300	289	7	0	0	4	2	0	13	95.00	289.00	296.00	620.00
St. Andrew.....	44	191	196	11	0	0	3	2	0	4	55.00	196.00	189.00	440.00
Reading.....	45	161	163	5	1	0	1	0	0	3	25.00	163.00	156.00	344.00
Thomas Smith Webb.....	46	317	323	14	3	0	2	0	-3	6	70.00	323.00	310.00	703.00
Sir Galahad.....	47	189	189	5	0	0	1	2	0	2	25.00	189.00	186.00	400.00
Total.....	52	15,039	15,059	678	31	15	149	110	12	433	3,390.00	15,059.00	14,445.00	32,894.00

Massachusetts: Membership Last Year, 12,820; Membership This Year, 12,907; Massachusetts Gain, 87.

Rhode Island: Membership Last Year, 2,219; Membership This Year, 2,152; Rhode Island Loss, 67.

ADDRESSES OF RECORDERS OF CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES

COMMANDERY	No.	RECORDER	ADDRESS
St. John's.....	1	Henry H. Wardle.....	80 Belvidere Blvd., No. Providence 11, R.I.
Boston.....	2	Robert Gardiner Wilson Jr.	8 Beacon St., Boston, Mass.
Newburyport.....	3	William H. Carter.....	10 Columbus Ave., Newburyport, Mass.
Washington.....	4	Raymond E. Crowell.....	36 Norman St., Newport, R. I.
Worcester County.....	5	Walter B. Taylor.....	70 Moore Ave., Worcester, Mass.
Springfield.....	6	Harold Gaylord Ransom.....	111 Woodlawn Pl., Long Meadow, Mass.
DeMolay.....	7	Chester G. Parsons.....	P. O. Box 21, Wellesley, Mass.
Holy Sepulchre.....	8	Arthur L. Wilbur.....	28 Farnum St., Pawtucket, R. I.
Pilgrim.....	9	Arthur E. Dyar.....	269 Beacon St., Lowell, Mass.
Palestine.....	10	Frank E. Milley.....	165 Grove St., Chelsea, Mass.
Milford.....	11	Kelsie E. Townsend.....	Bates St., R.F.D., Mendon, Mass.
St. Bernard.....	12	Chester W. Eaton.....	1363 Highland Ave., Needham 92, Mass.
Calvary.....	13	Charles H. Leffingwell.....	131 Alexander St., Cranston, R. I.
Haverhill.....	14	Nerses Der Garabedian.....	122 South Elm St., Haverhill, Mass.
Old Colony.....	15	Kenneth E. Clifford.....	437 E. Water St., Rockland, Mass.
Sutton.....	16	Wendall M. Hardy.....	188 Court St., New Bedford, Mass.
Bethany.....	17	Fred M. Barr.....	1076 Essex St., Lawrence, Mass.
Winslow Lewis.....	18	Walter D. Cooke.....	25 Mill St., So. Hamilton, Mass.
Jerusalem.....	19	Harvey H. Goodwin.....	32 Washington St., Leominster, Mass.
Hugh de Payens.....	20	Donald H. Hatheway.....	90 Walton Park, Melrose, Mass.
St. Omer.....	21	George A. Weeks.....	40 Glen St., Melrose, Mass.
Berkshire.....	22	Karl Olavi Lepisto.....	79 Foole Ave., Pittsfield, Mass.
Connecticut Valley.....	23	Dana C. Salmon.....	R.F.D., Turners Fall, Mass.
Woonsocket.....	24	Floyd C. Arnold.....	172 (Rear) Great Road, Woonsocket, R. I.
Godfrey de Bouillon.....	25	Charles Duncan.....	P. O. Box 215, Swansea, Mass.
Joseph Warren.....	26	Ernest J. Comi.....	1 Pagoda St., Milton 86, Mass.
Narragansett.....	27	Donald W. Kenneth.....	118 Beach St., Westerly, R. I.
Bristol.....	29	George W. Eberhardt.....	28 Raeburn Drive, Attleboro, Mass.
Northampton.....	30	Ledyard A. Southard.....	35 Stillson Ave., Florence, Mass.
South Shore.....	31	William J. Williams.....	16 Nickerson Rd., E. Braintree, Mass.
Trinity.....	32	William A. Manson.....	28 Lincoln St., Hudson, Mass.
Natick.....	33	John M. Tassey.....	No. 7, Dewey St., Natick, Mass.
Coeur de Lion.....	34	Carroll H. Tiffany.....	22 Bellevue St., Medford 55, Mass.
Gethsemane.....	35	John Burton Naylor.....	11 Byrd Ave., West Newton, Mass.
Olivet.....	36	Frank A. McPhee.....	50 Clearview Ave., E. Lynn, Mass.
Athol.....	37	Leon E. Whitney.....	404 Unity Ave., Athol, Mass.
Bay State.....	38	Robert Howard Masson.....	866 Pleasant St., Brockton, Mass.
Cyprus.....	39	Chester Leo Crawford.....	9 Tremont St., Dedham, Mass.
St. Paul.....	40	Duncan McNaughton.....	131 Marion Ave., No. Adams, Mass.
Beauseant.....	41	Charles W. Gurdy.....	63 Winslow St., Everett 49, Mass.
Cambridge.....	42	Irving C. Langley.....	580 School St., Belmont 78, Mass.
Bethlehem.....	43	Harold W. Adams.....	33 Pigeon Hill St., Rockport, Mass.
Orange.....	44	Joseph Prentiss.....	71 W. River St., Orange, Mass.
Ivanhoe.....	45	LeRoy M. Giddings.....	3 E. Broadway, Gardner, Mass.
Quincy.....	47	Clarence G. Jones.....	49 Rawson Road, Wollaston 70, Mass.
Temple.....	48	George M. Ellis.....	575 High St., Westwood, Mass.
St. Andrew.....	49	Arvin C. M. French.....	148 Pearl St., Holyoke, Mass.
Reading.....	50	Francis C. H. Lazenby.....	126 West St., Reading, Mass.
Thomas Smith Webb.....	51	Thomas Lincoln Rusk.....	3 Wheeler Ave., Cranston 5, R. I.
Sir Galahad.....	52	Byrd Denver Coss.....	125 Arlington St., West Acton, Mass.

GRAND COMMANDERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

TERM OF OFFICE	GRAND COMMANDER	MEMBER OF COMMANDERY	No.	TERM OF OFFICE	GRAND COMMANDER	MEMBER OF COMMANDERY	No.
1805-1818	*Thomas Smith Webb	St. John's	1	1907-1908	*Charles I. Litchfield	Boston	2
1818-1820	*William Wilkinson	St. John's	2	1908-1909	*John D. Munroe	Godfrey de Bouillon	25
1820-1826	*Henry Fowle	Boston	3	1909-1910	*Walter W. Burnham	St. John's	1
1826-1829	*John Carlile	St. John's	4	1910-1911	*J. Albert Blake	Winslow Lewis	18
1829-1832	*John J. Loring	Boston	5	1911-1912	*Lafayette G. Blair	Cambridge	42
1832-1833	*Robert Lash	Boston	6	1912-1913	*Frank L. Nagle	Gethsemane	35
1833-1835	*Edward A. Raymond	Boston	7	1913-1914	*William W. Johnson	Worcester County	5
1835-1837	*Araham A. Dame	Boston	8	1914-1915	*Walter F. Medding	Beauseant	41
1837-1839	*John Hews	Boston	9	1915-1916	*Frederick J. Dana	Calvary	13
1839-1842	*Charles W. Moore	Boston	10	1916-1917	*Samuel D. Sherwood	Springfield	6
1842-1845	*John Flint	Boston	11	1917-1918	*William H. Emerson	Bay State	38
1845-1847	*John B. Hammett	Boston	12	1918-1919	*William J. Bolton	Athol	37
1847-1848	*Ruel Baker	Boston	13	1919-1920	*Everett C. Benton	St. Bernard	12
1848-1851	*John R. Bradford	Boston	14	1920-1921	*Henry C. Pollard	Pilgrim	9
1851-1854	*James Hutchison	Holy Sepulchre	8	1921-1922	*James S. Blake	Holy Sepulchre	8
1854-1856	*Simon W. Robinson	DeMolay	7	1922-1923	*Charles R. Hunt	Boston	2
1856-1858	*Daniel Harwood	Boston	2	1923-1924	*Asa C. Jewett	Sutton	16
1858-1860	*Winslow Field	Boston	2	1924-1925	*Clarence M. Dunbar	Gethsemane	35
1860-1862	*William Ellison	St. John's	1	1925-1926	*James A. Gunn	Bristol	29
1862-1863	*William S. Gardner	Boston	2	1926-1927	*Norris G. Abbott	Connecticut Valley	23
1863-1865	*Rev. Charles H. Titus	Pilgrim	9	1927-1928	*Charles E. Burleigh	St. John's	1
1865-1867	*William W. Baker	St. John's	1	1928-1929	*Charles F. White	DeMolay	7
1867-1869	*Benjamin Dean	St. Bernard	12	1929-1930	*Frederick H. Briggs	Beauseant	41
1869-1871	*Nicholas Van Slyck	St. Omer	21	1930-1931	*Benjamin F. Downing	Boston	2
1871-1873	*Charles A. Stott	Calvary	13	1931-1932	*George L. Dodd	Washington	4
1873-1875	*Rev. Henry W. Rugg	Pilgrim	9	1932-1933	*William S. Hamilton	Joseph Warren	26
1875-1877	*John Dean	St. John's	5	1933-1934	*Arthur S. Vaughn	St. Paul	40
1877-1879	*Nelson W. Aldrich	Worcester County	13	1934-1935	*Harold W. Sprague	St. John's	1
1879-1880	*William H. Kent	Coeur de Lion	34	1935-1936	*Charles T. Converse	Bay State	38
1880-1882	*Caleb Saunders	Bethany	17	1936-1937	*George T. Everett	Springfield	6
1882-1884	*Charles C. Hutchinson	Pilgrim	9	1937-1938	*Adelbert E. Place	DeMolay	7
1884-1885	*George H. Burnham	St. John's	1	1938-1939	*Harrison Hyslop	Calvary	13
1885-1886	*Edward P. Chapin	St. Bernard	12	1939-1940	*Arthur A. Stewart	Gethsemane	35
1886-1887	*George H. Allen	St. Omer	21	1940-1941	*John E. Rines	Pilgrim	9
1887-1888	*Edward L. Freeman	Olivet	6	1941-1942	*Arlian M. Spencer	Haverhill	14
1888-1889	*James Swords	Holy Sepulchre	8	1942-1943	*William O. Tuckerman	Orange	45
1889-1890	*Robert H. Chamberlain	Hugh de Payens	20	1943-1944	*George B. Sampson	Cyprus	39
1890-1891	*William H. H. Soule	Washington	4	1944-1945	*G. Lester Marston	St. Andrew	49
1891-1892	*Charles C. Fry	Worcester County	5	1945-1946	*Frank H. Wilson	Coeur de Lion	34
1892-1893	*Samuel C. Lawrence	St. Omer	21	1946-1947	*Harold S. Crocker	Hugh de Payens	20
1893-1894	*Eugene H. Richards	Olivet	36	1947-1948	*George A. Weeks	Bay State	38
1894-1895	*William R. Walker	Boston	2	1948-1949	*Robert Gardner Martin	St. Omer	21
1895-1896	*George L. Shepley	Holy Sepulchre	8	1949-1950	*J. Herbert Hinds	South Shore	31
1896-1897	*Herbert F. Morse	Berkshire	22	1950-1951	*Charles F. Fairbanks 2nd	Boston	2
1897-1898	*Winthrop Messenger	St. John's	1	1951-1952	*Frederic Kennedy	Quincy	47
1898-1899	*George E. Hilton	Joseph Warren	26	1952-1953	*Harrie M. Taft	Pilgrim	9
1899-1900	*George H. Kenyon	Hugh de Payens	20	1953-1954	*Kenneth H. Earle	Natick	33
1900-1901	*Freeman C. Hersey	Olivet	36	1954-1955	*Mortimer W. Schroeder	Calvary	13
1901-1902	*Dana J. Flanders	Calvary	13	1955-1956	*Thomas A. Booth	St. John's	1
1902-1903	*Edwin A. Blodgett	Winslow Lewis	18	1956-1957	*Dwight C. Page	Beauseant	41
1903-1904	*E. Bentley Young	Haverhill	14	1957-1958	*Alfred C. Blake	Sutton	16
1904-1905		Springfield	6	1958-1959		Worcester County	5
1905-1906		Joseph Warren	26			Boston	2
1906-1907						DeMolay	7

THE AMERICAN ORDER OF THE TEMPLE

Grand Masters of the Grand Encampment

NAMES	YEARS	RESIDENCE	DIED
1 DeWitt Clinton	1816-1828	New York, N. Y.....	Feb. 11, 1828
2 Jonathan Nye	1829-1834	Claremont, N. H.....	April 1, 1843
3 James Madison Allen.....	1835-1844	Cayuga, N. Y.....	.....
4 Archibald Bull	1844-1846	Troy, N. Y.....	Dec. 22, 1865
5 William B. Hubbard.....	1847-1858	Columbus, Ohio	Jan. 5, 1866
6 Benjamin B. French.....	1859-1864	Washington, D. C.....	Aug. 12, 1870
7 Henry L. Palmer.....	1865-1867	Milwaukee, Wis.	May 7, 1909
8 William Sewall Gardner.....	1868-1870	Newton, Mass.	Oct. 14, 1887
9 John Q. A. Fellows.....	1871-1873	New Orleans, La.....	Nov. 28, 1897
10 James H. Hopkins.....	1874-1876	Pittsburgh, Pa.	June 18, 1904
11 Vincent L. Hurlbut.....	1877-1879	Chicago, Ill.	July 24, 1896
12 Benjamin Dean	1880-1882	Boston, Mass.	April 9, 1897
13 Robert E. Withers.....	1883-1885	Wytheville, Va.	Sept. 21, 1907
14 Charles Roome	1886-1889	New York	June 28, 1890
15 John P. S. Gobin.....	1889-1892	Lebanon, Pa.	May 1, 1910
16 Hugh McCurdy	1892-1895	Corunna, Mich.	July 16, 1908
17 Warren LaRue Thomas.....	1895-1898	Maysville, Ky.	Nov. 23, 1914
18 Reuben Hedly Lloyd.....	1898-1901	San Francisco, Cal.....	Mar. 10, 1909
19 Henry Bates Stoddard.....	1901-1904	Bryan, Texas	May 29, 1925
20 Geo. Mayhew Moulton.....	1904-1907	Chicago, Illinois	July 24, 1927
21 Henry Warren Rugg.....	1907-1910	Providence, R. I.....	July 21, 1910
22 Wm. Bromwell Melish.....	1910-1913	Cincinnati, Ohio	Oct. 21, 1927
23 Arthur MacArthur	1913-1914	Troy, New York.....	Dec. 27, 1914
24 Lee S. Smith.....	1914-1919	Pittsburgh, Pa.	April 6, 1926
25 Joseph K. Orr.....	1919-1922	Atlanta, Georgia	Sept. 18, 1938
26 Leonidas P. Newby.....	1922-1925	Knightstown, Ind.	Oct. 25, 1945
27 George W. Vallery.....	1925-1928	Denver, Colo.	Dec. 20, 1933
28 William L. Sharp.....	1928-1931	Chicago, Ill.	Dec. 22, 1950
29 Percy W. Weidner.....	1931-1932	Los Angeles, Cal.....	Aug. 16, 1932
30 Harry C. Walker.....	1932-1932	Binghamton, N. Y.....	Nov. 2, 1932
31 Andrew D. Agnew.....	1932-1937	Milwaukee, Wis.	Dec. 29, 1951
32 Mark Norris	1937-1940	Grand Rapids, Mich.....	May 31, 1943
33 Harry G. Pollard.....	1940-1943	Lowell, Mass. ....	.....
34 Charles Noah Orr.....	1943-1946	St. Paul, Minn.....	Jan. 10, 1949
35 John Temple Rice.....	1946-1949	El Paso, Texas.....	.....
36 Robert Brainerd Gaylord.....	1949-1952	San Francisco, Cal.....	Aug. 4, 1953
37 William Catron Gordon.....	1952-1955	Marshall, Mo.	Jan. 10, 1959
38 Walter A. DeLamater.....	1955-1958	Rhinebeck, New York.....	
39 Louis Henry Wieber.....	1958-		

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THE ANCIENT ORDER OF THE TEMPLE

The 9 Knights who organized the Order in 1118 A.D.

Hugh de Payens	Payens de Montidier
Godfrey de Saint Aldemar	Archibald de Saint Aman
Roral	Andre de Montbar
Gundemar	Count of Provence
Godfrey Bisol	

Grand Masters from Its Origin to the Death of DeMolay

	A.D.		A.D.
1 Hugh de Payens.....	1118	14 Philip de Plessis.....	1201
2 Robert of Burgundy.....	1139	15 William de Carnota.....	1217
3 Everard de Barri.....	1147	16 Peter de Montagu.....	1218
4 Bernard de Trenellape...	1151	17 Armand de Petragrossa..	1229
5 Bertrand de Blanchefort.	1154	18 Herman de Petragrorius.	1237
6 Andrew de Montbar.....	1165	19 William de Rupefort....	1244
7 Philip of Naplus.....	1169	20 William de Sonnac.....	1247
8 Odo de St. Amand.....	1171	21 Reginald Vichierius	1250
9 Arnold de Troye.....	1180	22 Thomas Beraud	1257
10 John Terricus	1185	23 William de Beaujeau....	1274
11 Gerard Ridefort	1187	24 Rheobald Gaudinius	1291
12 Robert Sablaeus	1191	25 Jacques de Molay.....	1298
13 Robert Gralius	1196	DeMolay died in 1314.	

CHRONOLOGY—YORK RITE

The following dates are adopted by the various bodies of Masonry. Dates are carried out for the year 1960.

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS date from the creation of the world, B. C. 4000, calling it *Anno Lucis* (Year of Light). Hence add 4000 to common time. A. D. 1960 = A. L. 5960.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS date from the beginning of the building of the Second Temple by Zerubbabel, B. C. 530, calling it *Anno Inventionis* (Year of Discovery). Hence add 530 to common time. A. D. 1960 = A. I. 2490.

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS refer to the completion of the First Temple, B. C. 1000, calling it *Anno Depositionis* (Year of the Deposit). Hence add 1000 to common time. A. D. 1960 = A. Dep. 2960.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR date from the founding of the Order, A. D. 1118, calling it *Anno Ordinis*. Hence subtract 1118 from common time. A. D. 1960 = A. O. 842.



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